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### TODAY **PARIS FALLS** TO THE BRITS

Grace Bradberry on a fashion revolution



### ANATOLE KALETSKY

Shares face a gentle decline, not a crash PAGE 29

tal unit when in opposition,

that their press officers have

not tried to promote their stories and last month

Alastair Campbell, the Prime

Minister's press secretary, is-

sued a memo to all informa-

tion officers complaining

about their failure to put the

Whitehall sources admit

that their operation could be

sharpened up - Sir Robin has

already set up a review - but

they resent any suggestion that they should depart from

their traditional impartiality.

They have recently become

so alarmed about recent "spin-ning" of stories that they held

a meeting with their union

officials yesterday to discuss

the problem. They also com-plained that ministers and

their political advisers were

sniping about them. One press

officer who resigned was said

to have been described by a

political source as dead

Government's case across.

known to be concerned



### **CATS** AND KITTENS The Germaine





# TOMORROW: THE SATURDAY TIMES

**FOOTBAL** SATURDAY Danny Baker Frank Leboeuf Oliver Holt

THE Queen has accepted that

the Royal Family must change its image after the death of

Diana, Princess of Wales, se-

nior Palace officials accom-

panying the troubled royal tour of India have told The

There will be no sudden

switch of style, but a source

terday of the need to demon-

strate "softer, gentler touches"

in the wake of what he

described as the first royal

tragedy to occur in the mass

media culture. But his admis-

sion was accompanied by the

issuing of a warning that "no

one should ever try to per-

suade any member of the

Royal Family to be anything

and about to celebrate her

golden wedding anniversary — could do to create the

gentler touches that she had

not already done, the source said, but he suggested that

people were noticing her

Last week in Pakistan, the Queen added a distinctly hu-

man note to a speech when she

complained that the world

was beginning to move too

fast for someone of her age.

But her sympathetically re-

ceived admission has been

overshadowed by the mire of

diplomatic trouble and nega-

tive press coverage that has

Palace officials, who had

hoped for a successful projec-

tion of the Queen on the inter-

national stage, yesterday em-phasised the "old technical

position" that the Oueen was

in India on the advice of

ministers in Britain, and that

she does not go out on a

limb". This seemed a thinly

plagued much of her tour.

efforts a bit more.

There was not much that the Queen - aged 71, on the throne for more than 45 years.

they are not".

accepts that

royal image

must change

By Christopher Thomas and Alan Hamilton



disguised attempt to em-

phasise that responsibility for

last week's remarks by the

Queen in Islamabad, in which

she urged a solution to the

Kashmir conflict, lay firmly

But if the monarchy is determined to become more

demotic and populist, it could

do worse than agree to sit for a

golden wedding portrait com-

missioned by the very antithesis of elitism, Reader's Digest.
The result, unveiled yesterday

at the magazine's London

offices, may disappoint those

accustomed to the flatteries of

court painters from Holbein to

Annigoni, but it attempts to

portray the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh as an

ordinary, human, married

couple. The picture will appear in the Digest's Novem-

ber issue. The original, which

will remain for the time being

at its offices, may be offered to

Schierenberg, born in Skeg-

ness 35 years ago to a Chinese mother and German father.

whose previous sitters have included the writer John Mor-

timer and Lord Carrington,

the former foreign Secretary.

and reliability, which is why the pose is a bit monumental,"

Mr Schierenberg said yester-

day. "But I also wanted to

convey the Queen's spark of

wit, and to say something

about their relationship. De-

spite the formality that their

position imposes, there is a

humanity there. The Duke is

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"I wanted to display solidity

a provincial art gallery. It is the work of Tai-Shan

Threat to conference

Diamond demand .

Philip Howard ....

with the Foreign Office.

Minister sought anti-Tory message

# Civil servant quits in row on 'spinning'

TENSIONS over apparent attempis to turn civil servants into government spin doctors grew yesterday as a serior information officer resigned and a minister was reportedly rebuked after a row about a

"political" press release. Jonathan Haslam, who was John Major's last press secretary, joined the exocus of senior officers after a bitter wrangle with the Education Minister Stephen Byers over a sentence critical of the Tories in a statement about parents'

choice of schools. Mr Byers had drafted the oress release and asked Mr Haslam on Tuesday night to prepare it for the next day. But Mr Haslam inferiated the minister by refusing to include a paragraph saying: "This further increase in the number of appeals by parents shows how hollow the claim of the previous Government that they were extending parental " - Мг

ence was too political. The following morning, it is understood that Mr Byers summoned Michael Bichard. the permanent secretary, to complain about Mr Haslam Sources say, however, that Mr Bichard used the occasion to

upbraid the minister for attempting to break the Civil Service code of impartiality. He is said to have reminded the minister of the guidance on the actions of information officers which states: "These should be objective and ex-

polemical and should not be,

University anger at Blunkett attack

An eminent scientist working on revolutionary project to defeat malaria has been

drawn into a row over an

"astonishing" attack by David Blunkett on university aca-demics teaching his student

Smith U-turn

on Waterstone's

WH Smith performed a strate-

gic U-turn yesterday when it announced plans to demerge the Waterstone's chain and to

sell the Virgin/Our Price

music business and The Wall,

its US music business. Page 25

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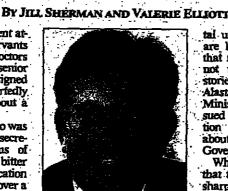
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Byers: warned about

rule on objectivity

or liable to misrepresentation as being, party political". Mr Byers then contacted the Labour Party press machine at Millbank to ensure that the absent paragraph was included in a party press release sent our at the same time as that

prepared by Mr Haslam. Within 24 hours, Mr. Hasiam had announced that he had resigned to become director of corporate affairs at the London Metal Eacha

He refused to be drawn on the incident with Mr Byers. Whitehall sources have accused ministers in other departinents of trying to insert

political statements into press statements criticising "the To-ries" or "the previous administration". Complaints have been also been made to Sir Robin Butler, the Cabinet Secretary, about the media handling of the £300 million diverted to the National Health Service this week.

Ministers, used to the the

services of the Millbank rebut-

LAWS barming paedophiles from schools, playgrounds

and other risk areas are

expected to be introduced by

Jack Straw, the Home Secre-

tary, within the next few

Courts would be able to

impose restriction orders on

convicted sex offenders that would ban them indefinitely from areas where they might reoffend, under proposals like

ly to figure in the Crime and

The community protection

orders would carry a penalty of up to five years jail and unlimited fines if they were

breached and could also cover

people who commit paedo-phile crimes overseas. Police

officers or local authorities

could apply for the order if

they were concerned about a

Mr Straw is also expected to

introduce proposals that would subject convicted paed-

sex offender in their area.

The meeting came hours fter Jean Catnes, director information at the Trade and Industry Department, conearly retirement at the age of 50. She is known to have had a number of run-ins with junior

ministers.
Peter Mandelson, the Minister without Portfolio who is in charge of government presentation, has said that the information service is valued and that reports about

politicisation are groundless. Rough ride, page !! Leading article, page 21

from children's play areas

By PHILLIP WEBSTER AND SHIRLEY ENGLISH

ophiles to supervision orders

that may require them to keep

in touch with probation offi-

cers long after their sentences

The move was disclosed by

Henry McLeish, the Scottish

Home Affairs Minister, as a

possible new law for Scotland

and it was confirmed later that ministers were considering

similar measures for the

Mr McLeish said: "If there

is a concern in a community,

there could be a court order backed up by reports which will actually infringe on the liberties of this individual. It

will detail areas they cannot go to. This could be an in-definite order, depending on their behaviour, and it could

also be punishable by up to five years in prison if they

pressure on the individual

and, more importantly, it will

"This will put tremendous

whole United Kingdom.

had expired.

action."

territory.

Sir Brian Mawhinney, the

Shadow Home Secretary, said

the Tories would scrutinise the

plans because they broke new

He said: "Everybody ... finds crimes identified with

paedophiles to be disgusting,

but what we are not in the

position of doing, I think, without a lot of careful consid-

eration of the actual legisla-

tion ... we need to understand

of the fundamental freedoms

of citizens of this country,

particularly those who have

Civil liberties groups and lawyers also criticised the

plans. They said the measures

risked "opening the door to

harassment" and might Continued on page 2, col 6

paid their debt."

the implications for some



# Paedophiles face life bans | Lords deal double

blow on handguns

BY NICHOLAS WATT, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT THE Government suffered a reassure the community that double defeat in the House of the Government is listening, Lords last night over its plans the Government wants further

to introduce a total ban on handguns. However, within minutes of the votes Labour made clear that it would waste no time in overturning the defeats when the Government's Firearms (Amendment) Bill returns to

the Commons. Peers inflicted their first lefeat on the Government when they voted by 119 to 101 — a majority of 18 — to exempt disabled people from the ban. Later, peers voted by 90 votes to 77 - a majority of 13 - to allow international competition shooting to continue at specially approved and secure national centres. About 75 of the 119 who voted to allow

disabled pistol shooters to carry on with their sport were hereditary peers. The exemption for disabled people from the ban was introduced by Lord Howell.

the former Labour sports minister, who told peers that he had campaigned for years for the disabled and this took precedence over party loyalty. Lord Crawshaw, a Tory peer, said it was hard for disabled people to change from using pistols to rifles or shotguns which were too heavy, but Lord Williams of

Mostyn, the junior Home Office minister, said he could Last night Mike Yardley, of the Sportsman's Association, which has lobbied against the proposed ban, welcomed the vote. "It shows the Lords have

been listening to our case." A Labour Party spokesman said: The total ban on handguns is supported by the overwhelming majority of the public and by an overwhelming majority of the House of Commons. The public will be bewildered that the House of Lords has sought to dilute the

### Housewife cycles into a speed trap at 43mph never been in trouble with the quite easily on the flat. The BY EMMA WILKINS

A HOUSEWIFE who wanted to lose weight was stopped by ran into trouble with the police on her bicycle after speeding through a radar trap

Ros Jones, 43, was advised to take up gentle cycling by her slimming instructor to help to reduce her weight from 14st 41b. Mrs Jones, of Golden Grove Carmarthen-shire decided to use her daughter's bicycle for the daily seven-mile trip to the nearest town. Llandello.
As Mrs Jones became fitter

she cut the journey time from an agonising hour and a half to 45 minutes. But she also police after she was recorded in a radar trap exceeding the

speed limit by 13mph. Mrs Jones, now a trim list 1lb, was surprised and embarrassed. "I had no idea I was going so fast," she said yesterday. "I could see the police officer pointing his machine towards me but I though he was after the car behind I couldn't believe it when he pulled me over and said I'd with similar cycles to do in the been clocked at 43mph. I region of 40 miles per hour

police in my life and it was a terrible shock to be stopped. The policeman gave me a

The bicycle will now be fitted with a speedometer: Dyfed Powys Police said yesterday they had decided to let Mrs Jones off with a PC Alan Rowlands said: "It is quite possible to achieve that speed because she's got a

high-gear mountain bike. I

have known other bieyelists

right ticking off."

road she was travelling on is not hilly at all."

In September Anthony Adams, 24, was fined £120 under a 150-year-old law for bicy-cling "furiously" through the streets of Cambridge at about 25 mph. Phil Heaton, secretary of the Road Time Trials Council, the governing body for cy-

clists riding against the clock,

said: "43mph is fast but not all that fast. Competitors in the

Tour de France regularly

touch between 70 and





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Letter

bomb

sent to

Trimble

Army bomb disposal experts yesterday defused a crude letter bomb sent to David Trimble, the Ulster Unionist

Party leader, at his constituen-

cy office in Lurgan, Co

Armagh. Similiar devices have been

sent in recent days to Jeffrey

Donaldson, the party's MP for Lagan Valley, and Robert McCartney, leader of the UK

Unionist Party and MP for Down North. No organisation has claimed responsibility for the attacks. Other paramilitary inci-dents included a Londonderry

teenager snatched from his home and found a few hours later with eigarette burns, and a man ordered to leave the city by a gang that accused him of sexual abuse.

Two die on M25 Two people were killed in an accident involving eight vehi-

cles which closed the M25 in

Essex before the start of the

evening rush hour. A lorry

smashed through the central reservation and landed on top

of a car near the Dartford

crossing. Two men, one from

each vehicle, died at the scene.

Police arrested a driver in

connection with the crash.

Red meat 'safe'

The cancer scare over red

meat is unjustified, two Cam-

bridge specialists have

claimed. In contrast to advice

given by the Department of

Health, Brian Cox and Mar-

tute of Public Health say their

studies give no evidence that

eating meat more than once a

week increases the risk of

Two women are missing,

believed drowned, on a diving

holiday in the Galapagos

Islands. Julia Hawke, from

London, sister of Lord

Hawke, and Susannah Ste-

phen, from Edinburgh, both 37, vanished on Sunday while

making their first 15-minute dive. The Foreign Office said local divers were still search

CS spray backed

Jack Straw, the Home Secre

tary, strongly backed police

for a review. Two weeks ago

an East London jury delivered a verdict of unlawful

killing on an asylum-seeker

who had been arrested. Dr

use of CS sprays yesterday and rejected a coroner's call e

ing for the women.

Divers missing

garet Whichelow of the Insti-

### Review of party funding could lead to early legislation

A LIMIT on the amount political parties can spend on general election campaigns came a step closer

Sir Patrick Neill. QC, formally appointed by Tony Blair to replace Lord Nolan as the public standards watchdog, confirmed he would examine all aspects of party political funding. At the same time, Mr Blair promised legislation to clean up the

In future, corporate donations to election funds could be capped and require shareholders approval. State funding for parties will be examined, as will the type of blind trust set up to fund Mr Blair's office in opposition. The issue of allowing

Valerie Elliott on the appointment of Sir Patrick Neill as standards watchdog

civil servants to be seconded to help to run party offices will also be looked at

Sir Patrick's wide-ranging review of party funding coincided with the announcement from Mr Blair that he was to introduce early legislation to ban foreign donations to political parties and to make public the name of any donor who contributes more than £5,000.

Sir Patrick, who is to take up his new post next month and is to become a life peer, is still waiting for his formal remit from Mr Blair, which he expected to be drawn up

with the agreement of the other political parties. But it is clear that if new rules are brought in by the next

plain about courses they take if they are not good enough for

whatever reason, but I think it

is rather unfortunate his

"One of the things our

students say they like best is

the very close contact with the

members of staff on the

course. It is one of the special

things they get out of being

Mr Blunkett's office yester-

day said the comments were

made at a seminar for vice-

chancellors on Tuesday which

the Secretary of State thought

One of the recommenda-

tions of the recent Dearing

Committee report on Higher

Education was an Institute of

Teaching and Learning to

train university academics to

become better teachers. The

Government's response will

be contained in a White Paper

on Lifelong Learning to be

A spokesman for Liverpool

University added: "As a univ-

ersity we are committed to the

principle of teaching within an

active research environment.

and we believe we can demon-

strate the benefits which stu-

earth is flat."

published before Christmas.

was "off the record".

father should say this.

general election, they could signal more restrained political cam-paigns. It is believed that in the last election the Conservatives spent £20 million, Labour £13 million and the Liberal Democrats E3 million on their national publicity drives.

Sir Patrick said yesterday he would look at the funding of opposition parties, including how party leaders funded their offices. There have been many questions asked about the "blind trust" set up

to run Mr Blair's opposition office. although his aides insist it was done to protect Mr Blair so that he would not be influenced by knowing the names of donors and how much they had given his campaign.

Sir Patrick said it would be "anomalous" if party leaders fund-ing was not included. "There has to be a package of rules that are fair across the parties. If there were methods of getting round the statutory controls or escape routes nobody would have confidence in the

He insisted he had a completely

open mind about party fuding but that he might look at party expenditure as well as income.

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"One possible aspect we're looking at is overall expenditure by the parties. There's a limit on what candidates can spend, but no limit on what the parties can spend at an election time. And that strikes most observers as somewhat odd. There are also questions about income."

Sir Patrick, a former Vice-Chancellor of Oxford University, hopes to bring out a discussion paper on all the issues concerning party funding within three months and to take

evidence in public next spring.

Mr Blair said: The purpose of putting Pat Neill in charge of the new committee is so that he can look at all the aspects of the way that political parties are funded, the way

their campaigns are run. Because what is tremendously important is not just to clean up the standards in Parliament, to make sure there's proper openness and honesty in the way that Members of Parliament conduct their business. but also that political campaigns and the way that parties are funded have the same openness and transparency."

Veteran watchdog, page 11

### Scientist defends academics from Blunkett attack

EMINENT scientist working on a project to defeat malaria was yesterday drawn into a row over an attack by David Blunkett on university academics teaching his student son Alastair.

Professor Julian Crampton heads the biological sciences department at Liverpool University, where lecturers were criticised by the Education Secretary for spending too much attention on research and too little on teaching students — antong them Mr Blunkett's son, a second-year marine biologist.

Academics at the department expressed amazement yesterday after Mr Blunkett said: The people teaching him are not interested in teaching. They are more interested in their own research. I don't think that's acceptable."

Professor Crampton, who teaches undergraduates, is part of a team trying to alter the genes of mosquitoes so instead of spreading malaria they become "flying syringes" that deliver a vaccine. The method could prevent the two million deaths from malaria each year.

The department defended its record and said its groundbreaking research helped to inform teaching. Staff pointed to "rave reviews" from students on 20-year-old Mr Blunkett's course

Trevor Norton, professor of marine biology, described the Education Secretary's outburst as "astonishing". Speaking from the university's Port Erin marine biology centre on the Isle of Man, he said: "I cannot believe these comments deal with the course taught here. I am just astoundMinister's

son complained

too busy with

David Charter

ed and cannot believe he could accuse my staff of that. The outstanding. We get more applications and inquiries for marine biology than all the other biological sciences put

He said the department and a cutting edge" to their



teachers were

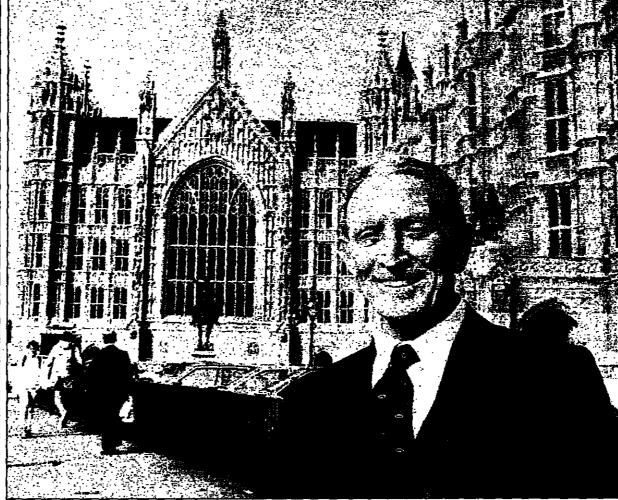
research, says

enthusiasm with which they teach this particular course is

conducted an annual anonymous survey of students' views and received "rave reviews". He said academics' research brought "immediacy teaching. Professor Norton added: I think students should have a right to com-

> dents derive from that." Chioe Smith, president of the Guild of Students at Liverpool, said Alastair Blunkett had kept a low added that students often

Blunkett: said staff not interested in teaching



Viscount Tonypandy: "eager to bend the knee to anyone above his station" says Sir Robert Rhodes James

### Tonypandy was 'malicious bully'

By NICHOLAS WATT POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

VISCOUNT Tonypandy, the Commons Speaker who was eulogised when he died last month, was denounced yesterday as "an arrogant, sanctimonious,

deceitful and malicious bully profile at the university. She Sir Robert Rhodes James, the former Tory MP who is a distinguished historifound it hard to adjust to the more pro-active role.

Andrew Taylor, chairman an dismissed the viscount "as a fraud and a charlatan, eager to bend the knee to of the Liverpool Association of anyone above his station and thinly University Teachers, said leccontemptuous of anyone deemed to be turers' research was vital. "If

universities were just to be for Sir Robert said that he first came into teaching, then presumably we contact with him when he served as a Commons clerk in the early 1960s. In an would still be teaching that the article in The Spectator Sir Robert accused the then George Thomas of chairing a standing committee in a

Under the headline "Not As Nice as All That", he wrote: "His harshness was directed less at the Members than at the hapless officials: he bawled out the policeman at the door for not closing it on . time he was nasty to the Hansard reporters; he treated me with contemptuous disdain, as he did all officials. Unsurprisingly, we deeply disliked him, regarding him as an arrogant, sanctimo-nious, deceitful and malicious bully."

Sir Robert said that when he became MP. for Cambridge in 1976 Thomas's attitude to him was transformed. He said: "I had suddenly become important; he earnestly desired me to be his friend;

the House with almost embarrassing regularity, his mother, the legendary 'Mam' having died, he felt free to share a glass of whisky with me ... But despite all this, with my memories of how he had been. I viewed him through cautious eyes. I had, after all a vote, and George Speaker.

The former MP added that Tonypandy's legendary Welsh charm concealed a victous streak. His attempt to wreck the career of a senior clerk backfired when he was confronted with a mini-mutiny.

Sir Robert praised his charm and wit, but described him as one of the greatest establishment converts of his time.

### Paedophile ban

and addresses with the police. It does not carry any powers to force offenders to modify their

behaviour once free.

in Aberdeen, the public hysteria resulted in riots. In Stirling in February mobs gathered outside an offender's home and police officers had to be called to escort him to safety. Similar scenes also

in Wiltshire. Community safety orders would be effective in cases such as that of Robert Oliver. 43, a convicted paedophile and killer who was released last month after serving eight He has since been driven from his home in Swindon and has stayed in four other addresses. He is now in a police safe house in Brighton,

Harod Price the Coroner, called on chief constables to examine the use of the sprays. Saudi sentence Lucille McLauchlan, one of the British nurses accused of

the murder of an Australian colleague in Saudi Arabia. will receive no more than five years in jail, after the agree-ment by the victim's brother to waive the death sentence and accept £750,000 instead, Ghazi al-Gosaibi, the Saudi occurred recently in Swindon Ambassador to Britain, said vesterday. Gas poisoning

Florence Nightingale may have been a victim of untreat ed carbon monoxide poisoning according to a medical pressure group, which claims that modern GPs are still grossly misdiagnosing the illness. A study published by CO Support says that out of 77 sufferers, only one was initially diagnosed correctly. Cases were mistaken for flu.

### Royal image

Continued from page ! always refers to her as The Queen. She is very loving towards him. and refers to him as 'Philip'."
The artist had a total of six

hours of sittings for his 6' by 5' canvas, mostly with his subjects separately, except for an initial joint session in a room in the couple's private apartments at Windsor Castle. At that first session, the

Duke complained of having to sit on "a bloody uncomfortable sofa", but soon entered into the spirit of the engage-ment, making helpful suggestions and even moving furniture. "The Duke is naturally bad-tempered, but 1 think he realises it is part of his charm. In repose, he is

him." Mr Schierenberg said. "The Queen is much easier. She is very amusing and laughs easily. She is a much looser and nicer person to be with. Even she was happy to move lights and furniture." At one sitting, the Queen

produced a copy of last year's controversial portrait of her by Antony Williams, which featured her with enormous veined hands complete with snagged fingernails. "Look at my fingers; they're not really like that." she said.

The Queen sits for about six portraits a year, most formal and destined to hang in regimental messes or the boardrooms of her patronages. Paintings of the couple together are much rarer.

### 'Soft' sentence on child molester is overturned

By LIN JENKINS

A CONVICTED child molester had his suspended sentence converted into a 15-month fail term by three Appeal Court judges yesterday to reflect public condemnation of the crime and as a warning to other potential offenders. Peter Reed, an oil company executive, was not in court and was ordered to surrender himself and be taken to prison.

The judges imposed the sentence after hearing that the Attorney General John Morris had objected that the original 18 month suspended sentence was "too soft" a penalty for

sexually abusing three boys aged between six and 11.He acted after the parents of the victims, who were friends of Reed's own three children. said they were furious that he should be free when classified as a continuing risk to child-

Lord Bingham, the Lord Chief Justice, said there were no exceptional circumstances to justify the lenient sentence. The public rightly and

strongly condemn offences of this kind," he said. "Parents are entitled to look to the courts for effective protection and that means that sentences imposed on those who transgress as seriously as this must involve a clear punitive element which doesn't exist when the offender is free to continue his ordinary life.

public condemnation of such offences by a sentence of imprisonment both to punish the offender and deter others. Sentences must have a clear punitive element."

Reed, 44, of Sevenoaks, Kent, molested the children when they came to play with his own three children.

#### erode the bedrock of British justice", namely, the presumption of innocence.

The measures would close a loophole in the recently introduced Sex Offenders Act which requires only sex offenders released after September I to register their names

The proposals were being viewed yesterday as an attempt by the Government to regain public confidence after a spate of vigilante attacks in which communities took the law into their own hands and drove sex offenders, as well as innogent people, from their

years of a 15-year sentence. but is not covered by any statutory parole guidelines or

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### . Mother pleads for help to trap road rage killer

Police seeking the driver who rammed a car, killing

two young lovers, are checking film from speed cameras

POLICE hunting the driver who is said to have rammed the back of a young couple's vehicle, forcing them off the road to their deaths, yesterday released details of the car they

lation

The registration plate be-gins with K5 and the vehicle is described as a white or lightcoloured saloon.

The investigation into the deaths ten days ago of Toby Exley, 22, and his girlfriend, Karen Martin, 20, has been taken over by murder squad detectives. They are looking at film from traffic speed cam-eras along the A316 in southwest London, known as the Great Chertsey Road.

The families of the couple called for witnesses or anyone who knows the identity of the driver to contact them.

Miss Martin's mother, Kay. said: "There must be someone out there who knows who this maniac is. This man is likely to do this again and he needs to be stopped. We want to prevent another family feeling the utter devastation that we're feeling now."

Mr Exley's brother Robin. 19. said: "Toby has had his life stolen from him, and me and my brother Ben have had Toby stolen from us:

The person who did this should be stopped and they should stop and think about our family and Karen's family. Anyone out there could be victims of this person."

The crash took place on October 6 but police only released details on Wednesday evening after a witness came forward to tell how the car had pushed the young couple's vehicle off the road.



A young Karen on holiday in Florida

The saloon car is said to have come up behind the couple's Ford Fiesta in the fast lane heading westwards at Hanworth at about 8.50 pm. The driver became impatient with their speed and rammed into the back of their car three

Mr Exley could not move into the slow lane because of traffic but moved to the right of the fast lane to let the saloon pass. The saloon then hit him again, catching the left hand rear of his car and forcing him to veer right into the wooden

acting differently. The slightest bit of information could be crucial - and could help save someone else's life. There must be some poor soul out there who is going to get it from him again." Mrs Martin added: "They were such lovely people, a marriage was definitely on the

forces to help.

cards, although it had not There is no way that Toby would have taken any chances with Karen in the car as he to put her in any danger. He was immensely sensible."
Anyone with information

motorcylist who saw the inci-

dent stopped near the crash

and told police what he had

seen. But traffic police could

not find anyone to verify the story. This week they mounted road checks on the A316 at the

time of the accident and two

motorists backed up the mo-

Toby Exley was a chef and

Miss Martin worked for an

advertsing agency.

Apart from the description

of the saloon from the witness-

ined the wrecked Fiesta and

found signs of ramming. Paint scrapings will help police to identify the saloon.

Scotland Yard said yester-

day that other drivers must

have seen the incident and

launched a new appeal for

witnesses. The police want to

find other drivers who may

have had difficulties with the

saloon that night. Garages

are being asked to report any

suspicious body work repairs.

ing film from speed cameras and the closed-circuit tele-

vision cameras Which monitor

traffic on the A316. The road

leads on to the M3 and

cameras on the motorway will

also be checked. Eventually

police may widen their search

even further and ask other

Mrs Martin, 54, said: "He

must have driven like that

before. Someone must have

seen the damage to the front of

his car and he must now be

Police have started gather-

torcyclist's story.

should contact the police inci-dent room on (0181) 2476377 or



A recent photograph of Karen Martin and Toby Exiey

# Princess crash survivor freed

By Paul WILKINSON

Detectives

suspended

over drug

allegations

TWO detectives from a squad running a zero tolerance crime policy have been sus-pended after allegations that they gave heroin to drugaddict prisoners in exchange

for confessions.

A third officer with the Cleveland force has been given a final warning about his conduct. The detectives, based at Middlesbrough on Tees side, are also accused of

beating up suspects.

They are part of the CID controlled by Detective Superintendent Ray Mallon, who advocates the zero-tolerance policy of not allowing even the most minor offence to go unchallenged. He has pledged to resign if crime in the town was not reduced by 20 per cent. His tough stance has achieved national celebrity and has been praised by the Prime Minister and Jack Straw the Home Secretary.

Last night Richard Brunstrom, the Assistant Chief Constable (Operations) with Cleveland, confirmed that the Police Complaints Authority had launched an

# to seek damages

FROM BEN MACINTYRE IN PARIS TREVOR REES-JONES, sole

survivor of the crash in which Diana, Princess of Wales, was killed, has become a civil plaintiff in the continuing criminal inquiry into its cause. The move means that as a party to the case, Mr Rees-

Jones, 29, will have access to the police file on the investiga-tion and will be able to seek damages from whoever is found to be responsible for the crash. Under French law, Mr Rees-Jones, a bodyguard em-ployed by Dodi Fayed, cannot now be interviewed by French magistrates or police without the presence of his lawyer.

the presence of his lawyer.
The accident on Angust 31
left Mr. Rees-Jones with serious face and chest injuries and partial amnesia. He was flown back to Britain earlier this month after two interviews with French police in which he said that he could not remember the crucial seconds immediately before the crash.

A medical examination ordered by Herve Stephan, the investigating magistrate, has concluded that the type of amnesia from which Mr Rees-Jones suffers is rarely teversible. The investigators believe that Mr Rees-Jones was injured by an initial impact on his right side, which triggered seconds later. The bodyguard was the only person in the a seatbelt.

Bernard Dartevelle, a law yer for the Fayed family, has asked Judge Stephan to release all video footage obtained from security cameras, banks, offices or news organisations relating to the car's final journey from the Paris Ritz to the tunnel beneath the Place de l'Alma.

Mr Fayed's body has been removed from a cemetery near Woking, Surrey, and reburied on his father's country estate 25 miles away near Oxted,

Mohamed al Fayed attended the ceremony on Wednes-day night, after obtaining from the Home Office. His will be considered next month by the local council's planning

### Branson ready to fly again

flight. Now information on.

temperature, pressure and al-

titude has been analysed with

By ANDREW PIERCE POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

RICHARD BRANSON is planning to spend Christmas Day in a hot-air balloon 30,000ft up on his third attempt to circumvavigate the

The millionaire adventurer told a London press conference yesterday that the Virgin team had ironed out the faults which brought the Global Challenger down to earth less than 24 hours after take-off

The Virgin boss has spent the past nine months analysing flight data from the capsule which was retrieved from plotting the behaviour of Algeria where it came to grief. Mr Branson said: "We believe

around December 1. again m Marrakesh. Mr Branson will be joined by his long-term partners, Piers Lindstrand and Rory McCarthy, with supplies for a Christmas Day we have worked out what went wrong and that we now have equipment that will The balloon was forced to land only 20 hours into the

teams battling to become the first to circumnavigate



Danielle Haskell worked for Manchester airport and Britannia Airways

### Police camera catches disabled woman walking

By Russell Jenkins

 FORMER ballerina, mose plight touched the heart of thousands when she was confined to a wheelchair. has been filmed by a police spy camera walking unaided. Danielle Haskell, 33, was voted Oldham Woman of the Year in 1993 for the wholehearted way she fought her disability, helping to raise thousands of pounds for

charity with parachute jumps and wheelchair pushes, Her carers were last night coming to terms with the revelation that Ms Haskell, who lives in a speciallyequipped flat for the dis-abled, in Oldham, Greater Manchester, can walk 12 lysed from the waist down. The camera is understood to have caught her on foot in her ground floor flat in Coldhurst, owned by a hous-

The secret video camera was set up to discover who was causing damage inside her flat. Ms Haskell complained to police that she was being stalked and in one short spell last month, almost a hundred 999 calls were made from her flat.

Ms Haskell told police that her flat had been broken into, but police have so far found no evidence of an intruder. Superintendent Crawshaw said: "We acted in Miss Haskell's best interests by offering her advice and then setting up surveillance outside her home. We were surprised to find she could

Ms Haskell became para-

lysed in 1985 after she complained of numbness in her legs as she was about to take up a dancing job in Greece. Since then she has became a well known figure locally. In 1992 she took part in a wheelchair push to Hull. She

worked at Manchester Interisory capacity to help the airport cater for disabled people. The role led to a similar unpaid post with She said at the time: absolutely love doing this work. I find I am able to

relate more easily to the disabled more easily than able-bodied people." A year later she became Woman of Ms Haskell refused to come to the door of her flat yesterday. She said through

the security intercom: "I have been told by my solicitor not to talk to anyone." A spokesman for social services said that Ms Haskell has been in receipt of housing and other benefits. A police spokesman said: "It is

ders.

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anticipated that in the near future the occupant of the premises will be interviewed by the police."

### "...best little PC."

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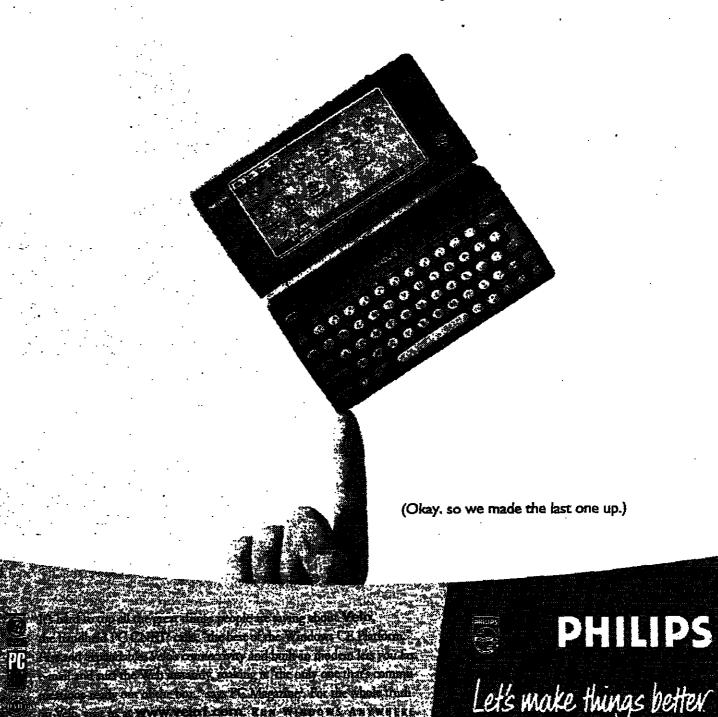
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A MOTHER who lost custody of her children because they naked won a rehearing yesterday after two Court of Appeal judges criticised the judge for allowing himself to be

The 37-year-old woman, who cannot be named for legal reasons, lost a battle for the children with her estranged husband in June this year. She was defeated, the Court of Appeal was told, after a county court judge heard that she and the man she plans to marry had allowed her children - a boy aged 9 and a girl aged 6 — to see them naked and shared baths with them.

Yesterday, overturning the order by Judge James Wigmore and ordering a rehearing of the custody battle. Lady Justice Butler-Sloss said: The judge appears to have allowed his instinctive reaction to the uninhibited behaviour of this couple and their lack of recognition of others' attitudes to override everything else in this case.

"Judges should not allow themselves to be shocked. They can be disapproving but selves to be shocked. He was plainly wrong.

These are perfectly decent. respectable people. They may have been unwise but there was nothing to suggest the children were at any risk of

Storey, said the children's father, with whom they had been living after the marriage broke down in 1996, had reported his estranged wife and her boyfriend to social services and police when the children mentioned seeing them naked. Social workers

Woman wins new hearing after Court of Appeal criticises ruling, reports

Frances Gibb had questioned the boy and, in view of the father's reaction, advised the mother not to let the children see them naked again or to share baths. Both police and the social workers felt no further action was necessary and the couple promised to follow their

But the father refused to allow the youngsters to stay with their mother and when the custody hearing came up in June he argued that the children should not live with her because of the nudity and communal bathing.

Judge Wigmore accepted there had been no question of child abuse and accepted the mother and her boyfriend's



nudity or the bathing was in good faith. But he awarded custody to the father, commenting that he had known of children being taken into care for less and he found the attitude of social services

"startling". Lady Justice Butler-Sloss, one of the country's most experienced family law judges, said yesterday she had never come across such a case and she doubted Judge Wignore had. "To be thoughtless and indiscreet does not raise a child protection problem. This is not abusive behaviour. I absolutely fail to see how an indiscreet and uninibited attitude could lead to child protection concerns," she said.

"In a happy, well-run famthe privacy of their own home is their business and no one else's." However, she added that with the custody battle coming up, the mother and her boyfriend had possibly been careless and indiscreet in view of the father's attitude, although she did not doubt the innocence of their actions.

Speaking outside the court the mother said: "I am just so relieved that they have actually seen the other judge was wrong, I couldn't believe it. It frightened me to death. We thought it was all over after we talked to social services. I didn't think it was going to

"I never thought there was anything wrong in nudity. My children have seen me without any clothes on lots of times. And as for the bath, it was just popping in together for five minutes on a Sunday morning." She added: "It was all so innocent and it became so



Anthea Boyleston of the Bradford team that has examined remains of 29 victims; many died as they fied

### How chivalry died in Roses battle

By Paul Wilkinson

A MASS grave from the bloodiest battle fought on British soil has dispelled n any lingering belief in the chivalry and honour of medieval soldiers.

It has also shown a physical strength among the troops that was far superior to modern man in spite of the comparatively poor diet, stature and health of the period. Archaeologists who examined the remains of 29 victims of the Wars of the Roses battle of Towton in 1461 found that many had suffered a merciless fate.

The engagement which lasted most of the day, left the field awash with blood according to contemporary reports. It ended in a Yorkist victory and secured the throne for Edward IV but up to 28,000 soldiers died. Far from being an heroic

Morte d'Arthur, the conflict involving about 120,000 men was fought mainly by yeo-man foot soldiers on a bitter soldiers." March day. Six hours of hand-to-hand fighting in driving snow and mud ended with the rout of the Lancastri-

His team was called into the site near Tadcaster, North Yorkshire, after it was discovered by workmen building a ans and bloody retribution.

6 People have a view of medieval battle as chivalrous, but these guys just beat the hell out of each other ?

Bradford University, who examined the skeletons said: People have a view of medieval warfare as being about chivalry, ransoms and people being captured and not killed. But these guys would just beat the hell out of each other and were pretty damn

repeatedly beaten about the head and face after they had died. The head wounds included crush injuries from maces, flails and bail-hammers, cuts from swords or knives and puncture wounds

from arrows or pole axes. Many of the blows were delivered to the top of the head, indicating the victims

been mutilated after death. We suspect this was medieval. when they were hit.

reprisal killing by livery The archaeologists found healed earlier injuries showing that the men had survived previous battles. Some skulls bore dents and sword slashes. Dr Knusel said the soldiers' physical strength was impressive. Some had used longbows requiring twice the pull exerted by today's best archers. He said: "They were

very robust fellows, very broad, although not tall." The bones are likely to be reburied at All Saint's Church Saxton, near Tadcaster, alongside other previously excavated remains

from the battle. Lawrence Butler, senior lecturer in medieval archaeology at York University, said that not finding any horse-men among the casualties suggested that if the battle was going against them, the classes of horsemen would quickly get away.

### Woman is urged to sell home to pay for son's fees

By Shirley English

A MOTHER being sued by her son was yesterday urged to sell her home to meet his maintenance to finance his time at university.
Patrick Macdenald, 20, es-

tranged from his mother for almost five years, claimed that his law studies at Aberdeen would suffer if she did not support him and he was forced to work part-time. He refused to take out a student loan — although it was ciaimed he had been awarded one for £1.685, plus a full grant because he did not want to

get into debt so early in life. On the second day of the interim hearing at Edinburgh Sheriff Court, Mr Macdonald's solicitor. Martin Burns, rejected his mother's claim that she was struggling to make ends meet on her E45,000 salary as a Scottish Office solicitor.

He said that if Margaret Macdonald, 53, was strapped for cash then she should sell her ten-room home to meet the bills. "If she is worried about maintaining a house of that size, she may wish to consider moving to alternative accom-modation," he said.

He also suggested that she could make savings from an "emergency fund" which she dipped into to pay for a summer choral course at Eton for her youngest son who intends to study music professionally. But Mrs Macdonald's solicitor, Jenny Gibbs. said her client wanted to keep the family home to provide some stability for her four other children, for whom she has been the sole provider since her acrimonious divorce

in 1994. Sheriff Daphne Robertson said she would make a written judgment within the next few days on whether Mrs Macdonald should make interim payments pending the full civil hearing next year.

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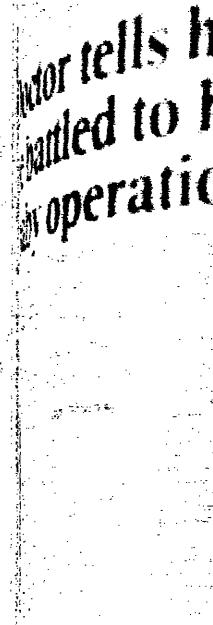
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### Mother fights to keep £12m award for birth blunder

LEGAL CORRESPONDENT

A MOTHER awarded compensation of about £500,000 because a health authority failed to warn her that her pregnancy could kill her is fighting to uphold the award after a challenge by the authority.

Mr Justice Astill ruled in May this year that the mother was entitled to claim the full cost of rearing her daughter from Croydon Health Authority. The woman has been diagnosed as suffering from a

potentially deadly heart condition. The decision, reached in the High Court in London, was the first to allow a mother compensation for the cost of rearing a child born from a planned pregnancy. Similar cases in the past have allowed damages for the cost of unwanted children, usually the result of failed sterilisation operations.

But yesterday the ground-breaking award was under attack from Croydon authority, which was ruled liable for compensation. Lawyers for the authority are urging the

was mistaken in law. Adrian Whitfield, QC, said the 39-year-old mother, a qualified nurse, should not receive a penny towards bringing up her daughter, now almost 8, or for the depression she suffered on learning she was unlikely to survive

The High Court had been told that the mother, who cannot be named for legal reasons, had undergone a medical examination ar-

long enough to see her child grow

Court of Appeal to overturn Mr ranged by Croydon Health Author-Justice Astill's decision, claiming he ity in 1988 after applying for a post at one of its hospitals.

She was passed fit for work and took up the job, but the doctor who examined her had failed to spot signs that she had primary pulmonary hypertension. The next year the woman, who had previously miscarried twins, and her husband decided to try for another

. Their hopes were rewarded but in the later stages of her pregnancy she developed breathlessness so severe

that she had to be flown back from a holiday abroad for hospital treatment. Only then was her heart condition spotted. The mother was told she might not survive the pregnancy because the strain on her heart had exacerbated the condition. If she did survive, she was told, her life expectancy would be between

five and ten years. Although she survived the birth. November 1989, and her condition had improved to the point that she might live another 20 years, she is still too ill to give her daughter the care she would have been able to Her lawyers had argued that she was entitled to the full cost of rearing her daughter, for although she was a wanted baby, her mother would never have allowed herself to become pregnant if she had been warned of her heart condition

But the authority, while admitting its original medical examination of the mother had been negligent, claims her pregnancy was not a foreseeable loss and that she should not receive damages stemming from it. The hearing continues.

### Search for child goes on despite man being charged

THE search for a boy who vanished five months ago will go on, despite the court appearance of a man charged with abducting him, detectives

said yesterday. Jamie Lavis, 8, disappeared from his home in Higher Openshaw, Manchester, on Bank Holiday Monday in May Greater Manchester Police launched an extensive investigation but failed to find the boy. Detectives are now convinced he has been dead for some time.

Darren Vickers, 27, who was arrested on Tuesday at an was artisted on the stay at an address in Stockport, appeared at Manchester. City Magistrates Court yesterday accused of kidnapping the child He was remanded in traction for sight days. custody for eight days.

Detective Superintendent Roy Rainford, who is heading the investigation, insisted that the hunt for the missing boy did not stop with the court appearance. I want to remind everyone that this inquiry has been active for 23 weeks. For the majority of that time it has been conducted as a murder inquiry and that murder inquiry communes. I would like you to remember that Jamie Lavis, has not been seen by family and friends since May 5 this year. I need to find Jamie and so he can be returned to his family and allowed to rest

Mr Rainford issued a fresh appeal to people to search means searching their con-sciences for hesh information about the boy's whereabouts.

Jamie went missing after he was grounded by his parents for staying out late. Later, security cameras caught him wandering alone on a deserted Piccadilly station platform before catching a bus to Ashtonunder-Lyne.

In June, officers combed undergrowth in Rogeart Hole Clough park at Blackley after a tip-off that the boy was buried there Nothing was

Jamie's parents have made numerous public appeals for anybody who knows what

### **Doctor tells how** he battled to halt baby operations

AN ITALIAN professor said yesterday that he struggled in vain with an indifferent British hospital management to stop surgeons performing op-erations that were killing

babies. Gianni Angelini told the disciplinary committee of the General Medical Council that he spent nearly 18 months trying to make senior surgeons and the chief executive of the United Bristol Health Care Trust realise that the mortality and morbidity rates among babies having heart operations there were unacceptably high.

"My view was that I was banging my head against a brick wall. I was getting nowhere," he said. Dr Angelini, who was appointed Professor in Anaesthetics at Bristol University in 1992 by the British Heart Foundation. said his task was to set up an academic department of cardiac surgery.

A year later, the honorary consultant at Bristol Royal Infirmary was approached by Stephen Bolsin, consultant anaesthetist, who showed him figures of the death rate among babies given "switch" operations to transfer their great arteries. He found the death rate to be very high and decided to take advice from senior heart surgeons at Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children in London and Bris-

Professor says no

one took notice of his warnings about number

of deaths, writes Ian Murray had been told with colleagues, including James Wisheart, 59. the medical director, and Janardan Dhasmana, 57, the consultant surgeon who was carrying out the switch opera-

tions. He also saw John Roylance, 67, the chief executive of the trust, on a number of occasions to raise his concerns about the death rate. All three doctors have denied serious professional misconduct. The two surgeons are charged with continuing to perform cardiac surgery on babies even though they knew that their mortality rates during these operations were well above the national average.

Dr Roylance, as chief execu-

tive, is charged with failing to

use his authority to stop the

operations. Dr Angelini, 44, said he thought the best way to resolve the problem was to appoint a new paediatric cardiac surgeon, "to bring new blood into the department. He said his He then discussed what he various meetings got nowhere.

"My feeling was that Mr Wisheart did not agree with the data, did not agree there was a major problem and certainly did not agree to the appointment of a new cardiac

> In 1994, as he was still getting nowhere, he called a formal meeting with Dr Roylance taking with him as witness Christopher Monk, the clinical director of anaesthetic services. "Having exhausted all the possible chain of command my next step was to ask the chief executive to use his authority to solve the problem if he was willing to do so. I thought there was a very serious problem. I had figures that showed unacceptably high mortality and morbidity

"I thought there was reason for concern and I wanted Dr Roylance to give some time to those concerns." The meeting did not go well. The perception I had was that there wasn't a great deal of interest from Dr Roylance, rather a considerable degree of irritation."

Again nothing happened, so he saw the chairman of the hospital trust who asked him to work with another Bristol University professor, John vann Jones, to draw up a

This warned that paediatric heart surgery at the trust needed a major shake-up. The hearing continues on



Deborah Eappen, mother of baby Matthew, being cross-examined by Andrew Good, the lead defence lawyer

### Au pair 'hated dead boy's parents'

LOUISE WOODWARD, the British au pair charged with murdering a nine-month-old boy in her care, "hated" the baby's parents and thought that Matthew Eappen and his two-year-old brother were spoilt brats", the court in Cambridge, Massachusetts. was told yesterday.

Kathleen Sorabella who spoke to Miss Woodward regularly in a Boston theatre queue for return tickets to the musical Rent, said that Miss Woodward told her that she intensely disliked working at the home of Sunil and Deborah Eappen, the parents of Matthew. Mrs Sorabelia, 30, who befriended Miss Woodward in the queue for Rent, which she had seen 40 times and Miss Woodward more than 40, described her first conversation with the au pair. "She said that the parents were very demanding, that she didn't like them. They told her that they had a curfew and she didn't like that."

The witness, who is a ma ture student at a Boston college, continued: "She said she was tired all day, that she'd change a diaper in the morning and then leave them in it all day. She said she'd go to sleep during the day." Mrs Sorabella continued: "She

... the job. She referred to the baby as a brat. She called the boys spoilt, fussy." Later, under crossexamination, she said: "I can't recall if she hated the children. But she definitely hated the parents."

Andrew Good, Miss Woodward's defence attorney, who had earlier looked ill at ease when cross-examining Mat-thew's mother, called into question Mrs Sorabella's reliability as a witness. Mrs Sorabella had a "history of misrepresentation", he said. He cited as examples "deliber-ate misstatements" she had made to a car leasing firm. During the earlier cross-examination of Mrs Eappen. an apparent contradiction emerged in the statements made to police by Miss Woodward — in which she said she had treated Matthew "a little roughly" and that he may have hit his head on the side of the bath - and the explanation Mrs Eappen said Miss Woodward had given over the telephone after the boy had been admitted to hospital. According to Mrs-Eappen, Miss Woodward had assured her that Matthew had "not hit his head against"

### New at Boots

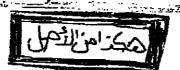




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### Passive smoking increases risk of heart disease 25%

LIVING with a smoker increases the risk of heart disease by a quarter, according to a new analysis.

This means that thousands of people die every year in Britain as a result of breathing other people's smoke, Maicolm Law, one of the team from St Bartholomew's Hospital and the Royal London School of Medicine responsible for the finding, says.
It is remarkable and even

implausible at first sight, as its authors acknowledge. But they believe that even the smallest traces of tobacco smoke are enough to increase the stickiness of the blood and trigger heart attacks.

The finding is based on a series of studies carried out by other people that have measured the risks of heart disease in smokers, non-smokers and passive smokers. They show that the increased risk for passive smokers is about 30 per cent, but a proportion of this is attributable to diet because smokers and their spouses tend to eat less healthily. When this factor is excluded, the additional risk is about

This means that passive smoking is about half as risky in terms of developing heart disease as smoking 20 cigaThe smallest amounts of

tobacco smoke can affect the blood, reports

Nigel Hawkes

rettes a day, in spite of the fact that the actual amount of smoke inhaled by a passive smoker is about one hundredth that of a smoker.

The reason for the paradox. the Barts team says in the British Medical Journal, is that the blood is extremely sensitive to small exposures to tobacco smoke. The effect is to increase the tendency of platelets in the blood to stick together, helping to form clots and block the bloodstream.

"Our result confirms the high risk of a heart attack arising from breathing other people's smoke and shows that it is likely to be due to the blood clotting system being very sensitive to small amounts of tobacco smoke." Dr Law says. "The risk represents several thousand avoideach year in Britain."

In a second paper in the journal, Dr Law and his colleagues conclude that lung cancer is increased by 26 per cent by passive smoking. This is in line with previous studies, but because lung cancer is a very rare disease in nonsmokers, the total number of extra deaths is smaller than for heart disease. Professor Nicholas Wald, a

co-author of both papers, says: The two papers clarify the health risks of breathing other people's smoke. The risk of heart disease is surprisingly large and our work shows how this can be explained in terms of known biological lung cancer took into account the accumulation of a large amount of new information and this completely supports the estimates of risk that were made ten years ago."

Commenting on the findings yesterday, Tessa Jowell, the Health Minister, said: These are shocking figures, bearing in mind these are people who choose not to smoke. The studies reinforce the already compelling case for reducing smoking rates. We are determined to tackle



The Spice Girls dolls herald an avalanche of spin-offs; stationery is estimated to bring in £10 million alone

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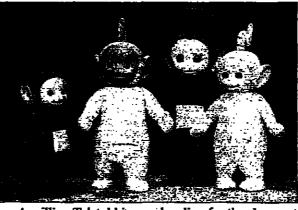
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A TEAM of Spice Girls dolls was unveiled yesterday to take on the Teletubbies in the battle to fill the nation's

The Spice Girls dolls — limited to 100,000 — will descend on toy shops in the middle of December. Demand should comfortably outstrip supply, guaranteeing queues, crushes, scarcity value, and tears round the Christmas tree. Another 400,000 dolls will be distributed after Christmas to coincide with the launch of the

Spice Girls movie. Each doll is 111 in tall and will cost just under £20. For that, you get one Spice Girl in one outfit, carrying a microphone and with one accessory, a handbag, rucksack or shetto blaster according to character.

Spice had to be ditched after complaints that the doll had a grin atypical of the pouting



A million Teletubbies are heading for the shops

Victoria Adams. Her mouth is now a mere Mona Lisa crinkle. Scary Spice has a colossal embonpoint underneath her leopard-print suit. while Ginger Spice, whose shelving bosom is on near constant display in real life, is disappointingly flat. She barely fills out her Union Flag mini-dress Baby Spice has had her puppy fat

trimmed and wears a Prozac

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smile and a pink mini-dress. Sporty Spice, of course, wears sports gear.

The girls themselves asked for discreet tattoos to be added to their dolls, which are being distributed under licence by Character Group. For fans unable to acquire a doll, there is plenty more kit oneits way, from pencil cases

to make up and umbrellas. A.

pink briefcase emblazoned

is expected to be popular with homosexuals.

The smiles and sweaty paims of the licensees who attended the British Association of Toy Retailers fair in London yesterday said all that needed to be said about the money involved. One estimate was that the group would make £10 million from stationery alone.

Spice, however, is not the

only player on the pitch as the toy makers prepare for Christmas and the bulk of their annual £1.86 billion of sales. In volume terms, the l'eletubbles are hot. About a million versions of Tinky Winky, Laa Laa, Dipsy and Po will be on sale. They cost between £5.99 and £14.

Veterans Barbie and Action Man remain popular, as do Star Wars figures Cyber launched in May and more than a million should be sold

is year. There are only 69 shopping days left until Christmas

### 45 million carrying herpes virus in America

FROM TUNKU VARABARAJAN IN NEW YORK

ONE in five Americans aged 12 or older carries the virus that causes genital herpes, an increase of nearly a third since the late 1970s, scientists disclosed yesterday Results of studies conducted

at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, pub-lished in the New England Journal of Medicine, show that 45 million Americans are now "genital herpes-positive". That rise, detected after tests on 40,000 people between 1988 and 1994, suggests that the amphasis on safe sex in the Aids era has failed to provoke

an increased awareness of the perils of genital herpes. The study, directed by Robert Johnson, finds that herpes is more prevalent among women (25.6 per cent) than men (17.8 per cent). There are also pronounced racial differences, with 45.9 per cent of black people suffering from, or carrying the virus of, genital herpes, compared to Mexican Americans (22.3 per cent)

and white people (17.6 per The researchers, however, detected that the virus has increased fivefold since the late 1970s, among white teen-agers and has doubled among white people in their twenties. As with Aids people can transmit the virus to a sexual plantner even when they do not

betray any symptoms. Only 9 per cent of the people surveyed knew they had the virus. The researchers have appealed to health authorities to launch an Aids-style herpes education and information programme. New steps, they say, should include screening for genutal herpes at clinics for sexually transmitted diseases and on pregnant women. New-born infants can die if infected with the virus.

☐ The syphilis epidemic in the former Soviet Union, where ases have risen 15 fold in adults, is spreading to Britain. In one central London clinic, halfnishe II cases treated during 1996 had acquired the disease from a Russian partner the

### Northerners have highest death rates from cancer

North of England are most at risk of dying from cancer. statistics released yesterday show. Death rates from the disease there are 14 per cent above average for men and 19 per cent for women.

The figures comparing mor-tality rates in England and Wales in 1995, collated by the Office for National Statistics. also show that the death rate for lung cancer was highest in the North — 33 per cent above average for men and 47 per cent for women. The North

West has the highest death

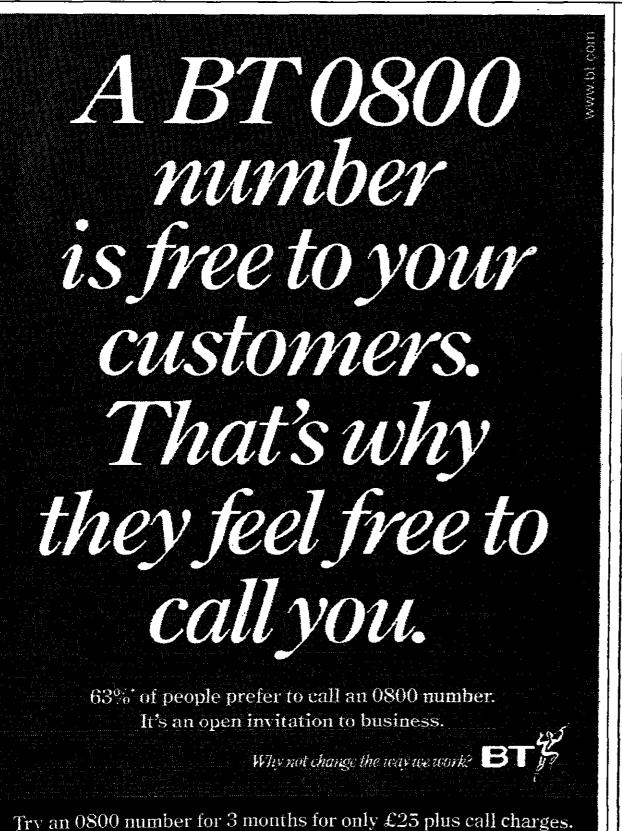
rates from respiratory diseases - 18 per cent above average for men and 15 per cent for women. The figures, in a compre-

hensive report on deaths in England and Wales between 1993 and 1995 which includes information on death rates by age, sex and marital status, comes just after the Government pledged to tackle health inequalities.

The Public Health Minister, Tessa Jowell, has promised a wide-reaching strategy to confront the underlying causes of

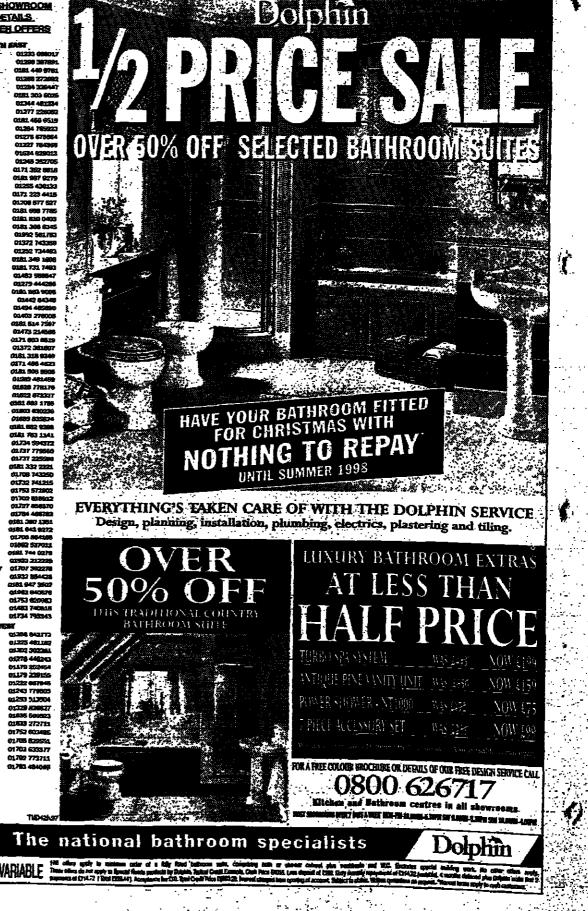
Sir Donald Acheson is carrying out an independent review of health inequalities and a Green Paper on health strategy called \*Our Healthier Nation" is expected by the end of

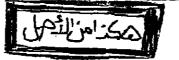
Ms Jowell said: "We want to tackle the underlying causes of ill-health and to break the cycle of social and economic deprivation and social exclusion. This signals a major change in the nation's policy, to maximise good health, as well as treating sickness." (PA



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### Unknown author is paid record £420,000

Dalya Alberge on a writer's happy ending at the Frankfurt Bookfair

AN UNKNOWN British writer has been awarded what is daimed to be a record £420,000 advance for a first or Robert Mawson, 41, a for-

mer pilot, who two weeks ago was resigned to signing on the dole, was offered the sum for his second book, The Lazarus Child, a thriller about a battle

to save a child in a coma.

The bidding had started at £50,000 with various publishers competing. Patrick Janson-Smith, of Transworld's Bantam Press, was then so determined to acquire it that he doorstepped Mr Mawson's agent, Christopher Little, and made the offer. The previous record advance, of £357,000,

for Nicholas Evans's The Horse Whisperer, now being made into a film starring Robert Redford.

Mr Little says that the sales of book rights throughout the world will take Mr Mawson's total earnings up to £2 million. Bantam in America has paid \$1.4 million (£870,000) and Bertelsmann in Germany 1.65 million marks (£550,000). Other European publishers have also made offers.

Mr Mawson, who describes himself as an "obsessive writer", went to France to work on The Lazarus Child in 1995 after selling his share in a PR and advertising company. On



unemployed. His first novel, published in 1994 by Little, Brown for a "minuscule" advance, was called A Ship Called Hope and sold only 2,600. The deal on his second book is, Mr Mawson says,

beyond his wildest dreams". His first purchase would be a new word processor, as the

last one blew up while printing out his manuscript. He says he would also be able to rent a place of his own and would abandon his claim for a council-tax rebate.

Mr Janson-Smith says that The Lazarus Child rattles along like an express train. It's

> BY DALYA ALBERGE ARTS CORRESPONDENT

FAR from being a confident and scathing iconoclast, the dramatist John Osborne was a

deeply sensitive individual

who suffered terrible feelings of failure.

The sensitive side of the original Angry Young Man will be revealed through

notebooks and letters which

his widow is allowing the world to read for the first time.

The writer John Heilpern,

who has been given access, says they offer a "window to his soul".

The material mostly appears in 50 exercise books,

which he apparently turned to

only in times of despair. They

reveal the "black cloud" that

hovered over the life of the

Auger, the 1956 play that

condemned middle-class

nan who wrote Look Back In 🚉

so bound up in all the characters: You want to keep turning the pages." Hollywood studies have already been in touch. ☐ Mark Fisher, the Arts Minister, yesterday expressed sympathy for British publishers and booksellers who felt.

that their business was being

Private writings reveal

Osborne's tortured soul

Osborne: suffered long

periods of self-doubt

course of British theatre. Mr

Heilpern said the writings

would perhaps show him to be

a more likeable man than

piògraphies and even his auto-

Osborne (1929-94) raised

biography lixve suggested.

Internet. The mot lies in copyright." Mr Fisher, who was visiting the Frankfurt Book Fair, said. The problem was the conflict between access and intellectual property, he added. The Publishers Association, which co-ordinated his trip, is taking legal

writer of The Entertainer and

Inadmissible Evidence as a prickly, hard-drinking

womaniser. He likened his fourth wife, Jill Bennett, to

Hitler and fired off poison-pen-

But Mr. Heilpern said the notebooks showed a different man. The contract for the book

was revealed by the agent David Chalfant at the Frank-

furt Book Fair. It will be published by Chatto and

Osborne's widow, Helen.

was the playwright's fifth wife.

Yesterday, she recalled that it

had been impossible to cheer

him up when he was down:

"You learnt to live with it. It was what the Elizabethans

She said he genuisely be leved he was a faither and could notice convinced otherwise. I think it's common

called melancholia.

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letters to critics.

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Relatives of the crew of the Sapphire from Peterhead. Aberdeenshire, told her in an open letter. "No one has the ability to bring our loved ones back in this life, but you do have the power to make the attempt to bring them home. We would ask you to do so

**NEWS IN BRIEF** 

**Families** 

make plea

for bodies

The families of four men los when a fishing boat sank asked Glenda Jackson, the

Shipping Minister, to help

them to retrieve the bodies.

Under a legal anomaly, the marine accident investig probing the cause of the sinking have no responsibility to recover the bodies.

#### Ethnic recruiting

The RAF and the Royal Navy are expected to seek recruitment of more people from ethnic minorities. Lord Gilbert, a Defence minister, told the Lords that the two Services hoped to learn from the lead being given by the Army.

#### Girls admitted

Girls are to be admitted intoone of the country's oldest boys schools. From next September, girls will be able to study for A levels at Colches-ter Royal Grammar School, Essex, which was founded under Henry VIII.

#### Egrets wade in

Five pairs of little egrets bave become what are believed to be the first of their species to nest in Britain. The wading birds, similar to small herons, have been spotted on Brownsea Island in Poole harbour.

#### Devon quakes

An earthquake measuring 2.8 on the Richter scale shock Devon, the largest in the area for 12 years. He epicentre was Totnes and beinors were felt 15 miles away. Up to 30 quakes of that size occur in Britain every year.

### Reptile on loose

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### Irish favourite keeps brains under wraps

TWO weeks from today, a little-known Belfast law professor is expected to become Ireland's first northern President after one of the republic's more curious elections.

Mary McAleese, the 46-year-old Pro-Vice-Chancellor of Queen's University, can stand for the Irish presidency but may not vote, as she lives outside the republic. If elected, she would need the Government's permission to go home. as it would involve leaving the country. In addition, because the presidency is strictly above politics — its only real powers being to refer legislation to the Supreme Court or to refuse to dissolve the Dail - the campaign is issue-free. It is similar to having an election for the Queen of England.

The only hint of controversy has been a rival's charge that Dr McAleese is a covert Sinn Fein sympathiser. She has dismissed this as nonsense but could have done without an unsolicited endorsement from Gerry Adams yesterday.

There are four women candidates and one male. Unable to promise tax cuts or better

A Belfast professor is likely to win the

presidential race that has become a beauty contest, says Martin Fletcher

and, at the age of 24, succeed-ed Mrs Robinson as Reid

Professor of Criminal Law at

Trinity College, Dublin. She married, had three children.

worked briefly as an RTE

television presenter, then shocked Ulster's Protestant

establishment by beating David Trimble, now the Ul-

ster Unionist Party leader, for

the directorship of the Insti-

tute of Professional Legal

Last month, in an even greater shock, Ireland's ruling

Fianna Fail party ditched Al-

bert Reynolds, the former

Taoiseach, and gave its presi-

dential nomination to the

much more dynamic Dr

McAleese. She was not even a

Dr McAleese is a woman of

strong convictions. She is a

staunch anti-abortion Catholic

and an enthusiastic national-

Studies at Queen's.

party member.

schools, each is vying to prove that she or he is the spiritual successor of the caring, sharing, all-embracing Mary Rob-

inson. It is a campaign filled

with buzzwords such as "com-

"openness" and reaching out". it has become a glorified beauty contest, almost literally. Many column inches have been devoted to the candidates' wardrobes and hairstyles, and my Dublin taxi driver planned to vote for Dr McAleese because "she's the

best-looking bird". Dr McAleese is certainly a striking figure, but it is her formidable intellect that has propelled her from a Roman Catholic ghetto in Belfast to the brink of Ireland's presidency. She is the eldest of nine children and a publican's

bative and abrasive. None of those attributes was on display during a day spent huriling round the pretty market towns of Tipperary this week. Her intellect has as one commentator put it, been put

on "work to rule". She celebrated World Rural Women's Day at an agricultural development centre, lunched at a police training school, toured workshops for disadvantaged youth and the mentally handicapped, and addressed a crowd in the square at Thuries and a rally community in Cashel.She promised a cool head and warm heart, an Ireland in which every person is "utterly valued and utterly respected" and a presidency that reflected a confident new Ireland rooted

in traditional values. Dr McAleese's rivals are no laggards when it comes to caring and compassion. Mary Banotti, the 58-year-old single mother who is the Fine Gael candidate, was a nurse in North America and Africa before becoming an MEP and



Mary McAleese, left, talks to Dilly Barry, right, in a shop at Thurles during her whistlestop tour of Tipperary

champion of good causes. She is the grand-niece of Michael Collins, the legendary father of the IRA, which gives her a certain cachet.

Adi Roche, the 42-year-old Labour candidate, is known as the Angel of Chernobyl for her pioneering work as head of the Chemobyl Children's Project.

Her campaign began poorly when some employees labelied her management style as Stalinist.

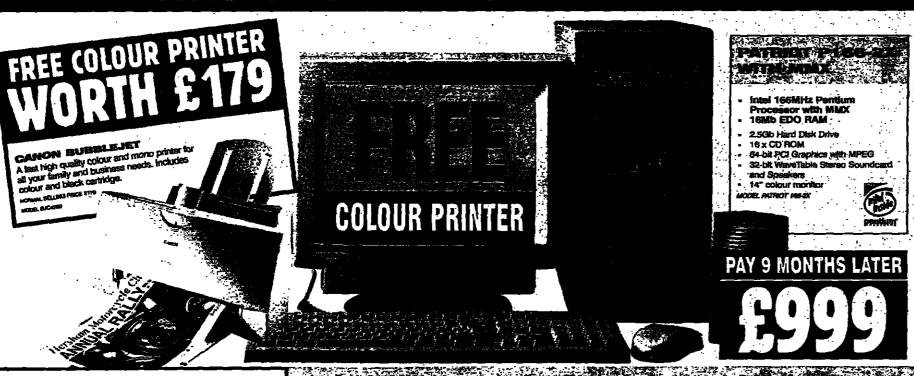
Rosemary Brown, who as Dana won the 1970 Eurovision Song Contest, is the champion of American-style family values. Her manifesto promises that as President she would "still be Dana, wife and moth. Dr McAleese's northernness er, one of the people, standing does not seem to worry Irish

for the people".

Derek Nally, an independent who will presumably win the misogynist vote by default, is a former police officer who exposed wrongdoing in the Garda and founded a group called Victim Support

voters, although some Unionists would see her election as threatening. The latest Irish. Times poll gives her 32 per cent support, eight points more than Mary Banotti, with the three others far

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Killing uncovers Dublin trade in black prostitutes

By Audrey Magee, ireland correspondent

IRISH police are clamping down on a growing trade in black prostitutes coming from Britain to offer exotica to Irishmen.

Asian and African women from Britain are being set up in Dublin city centre apartments and men, attracted by small ads for "black beauties" and "Asian delights" are pay-ing up £150 an hour for their services, six times more than they would for an Irish

.The extent of the vice trade was unknown until the murder of Belinda Pereira, whose inquest was adjourned in

Ms Pereira. 27, was one of a growing number of British prostitutes travelling to Dublin twice or three times a month to cash in on the city's boom in weekend tourism. Itis believed that she was on her second trip to the Irish capital when she was bludgeoned to death last Christmas. Originally from Sri Lanka, her features would com-

mand high prices in Dublin. The police believe that about ten Irishmen are organising the trade, with more than 100 women regu-larly travelling from Britain.

Ms Pereira and a friend became involved in the trade after answering an advertisement placed in a London magazine.

The Gardai first suspected that Ms Periera, from been murdered by her pimp, a 31-year-old man from Tipperary, but they now believe it was a frenzied attack by a client. They admit they have few clues about her killer. One senior source said: "It

is very difficult because these women want to leave as few traces as possible. They come over here, work for a week. vanish. They go home, have a rest and come back again. The only people they know are their pimps and the other English women doing the same thing. The Gardai are still inter-

viewing British and Irish prostitutes to try to trace men with a history of violence against prostitutes, an mcreasing number of whom are drug addicts.Surveys show, however, that only about 40 per cent of the estimated 600 prostitutes working in Dublin report violence or threats by clients, rendering it likely that the killer will never be found.

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### Labour must put national need before party interests

The Blair Government is chal-lenging the traditional workings of Whitehall in ways that Margaret Thatcher never did. That ension underlies the simmering discontent among many senior civil servants about the way policy is

made and presented. The departure of eight heads of information since the election is a symptom of this malaise, but it is only part of a broader story. Labour came into office determined to proplement the same tight discipline that it applied so successfully in

That involved a closed style of policymaking in which decisions were taken by a tight circle round the offices of Tony Blair and Gordon

initiatives were leaked/floated, often on an unattributable and thus deniable basis, without any real collective discussion. These habits have been transferred to office.

The culture of government is different, relying on deliberation, consultation and acceptance that Parliament should be informed first. So Whitehall eyebrows have been raised when - as was shown in the television documentary about Mr. Brown and the Treasury ten days ago — policy is decided by a a sufail, a largely political group and selected journalists are briefed on the defails. Some permanent secretaries have

complained about the recent leaking

RIDDELL ON POLITICS try and transfer of the money to the

NHS budget. That is more important than the friction with information officers, where the arguments are mixed. Labour's complaint that many information officers had become too passive and reactive is partly justi:-

battles of the late Major years. leaving. Tory ministers exposed.
Alastair Campbell was right to argue recently that heads of information should be involved from the start in the development and design

been long-serving and, in some cases, long in the tooth. So changes were inevitable, indeed desirable. But eight departures is more than a

Jonathan Haslam, in Downing Street for the end of the Major era and at the Education Department since the election, was at pains yesterday to stress his good relations with David Blunkett and the attractions of his new job in the City. But in other cases there have been personality clashes as ministers and advisers have openly criticised press

Problems have emerged over the

impartial presentation of policy and advancing Labour's interests. Some ministers and their advisers, whose only experience has been in opposition, seem unaware of this distinction and have expected press officers to operate as Labour's press officers did before the election.

In the past, an informal division of labour has existed between the Government Information Service explaining decisions and special advisers to ministers providing the partisan "spin" which civil servants cannot and should not do.

The lines can never be precise and it makes sense for Mr Campbell and others in Downing Street to become special advisers rather than civil

Sir Robin Butler, the outgoing head of the Home Civil Service, has set up a review on the work of information officers, and the issue should be examined by the Public Administration Committee of the Commons, which is shortly to decide its programme. A new concordat is needed if charges of politicisation are to be answered.

After complaining for so long about the way the Tories ran Whitehall, Labour needs to understand that the interests of Government and party are not always the same. The job of civil servants is to ensure that the Government is successful, not that Labour is re-

PETER RIDDELL

### Writing on wall for Whitehall press machine

Angry ministers are giving civil servants a rough ride

over their publicity failures, writes Andrew Pierce

Blair's new Cabinet ministers taking up office a purge of the upper echelons of the White-hall information service was inevitable. The Prime Minister's publicity-hungry lieutenants had a rude awakening

from the election victory.

They had anticipated a seamless transition to the front pages of the media anxious for their first ministerial pronouncements. It was

They protested bitterly, privately and increasingly publicly, about the Government Information Service which for two decades had worked in relative harmony with the previous Tory administra-

The Labour Party in Oppo-sition regarded the Tories public relations operation with contempt. On May 2 they discovered why it was so poor.

The first to complain was Frank Dobson, the Health Secretary, who called this Whitehall press team together ence. He bawled them out and complained he had never been so badly prepared. In Harriet Harman's south London home, Sunday morning breakfast became an unhappy experience as stories which the Social Security Secretary felt she should have featured in or

spread over the front pages. Opposition. At the first scent of trouble the media monitoring unit at Millbank Tower, son. Labour's high priest of

spin, would alert the party leadership.

Each Shadow Cabinet member would be paged. The would be tracked down, told the line to take, and what to expect in the first editions of daily or Sunday newspapers.

In Government the early warning system failed to oper-ate. Ministers complained about being telephoned by journalists for reactions to stories they had not been told were breaking. Used to being

6 The unit has been dubbed the Ministry of Truth by sceptical civil servants 🤊

told in advance who was on' they despaired at discovering the briefing note in their red boxes when they returned home the same night — often

new regime was Andy Wood, the veteran director of information at the Northern Ireland Office who modelled himself on Bernard Ingham, Margaret Thatcher's press

marching season. He was told There is a lack of bluntly: personal chemistry with Dr Mowiam [Mo Mowiam, the Northern Ireland Secretary]." Mr Wood, a veteran of 14 years for the NIO, was given

gardening leave. Liz Drummond, the veteran head of the Scottish Office, was also an early casualty. Relations had never been good with Michael Forsyth, the Tory incumbent, but her hopes of a renaissance under the new administration rapidly evaporated.

Ms Drummond clashed with Brian Wilson, the minister of state, a journalist by profession, who insisted on writing all his own press

She complained bitterly to journalists that she could not reveal policy decisions without first referring to Downing Street. She took the flak for the initial bumpy ride for the "Yes: Yes" campaign for the Scottish

By the end of the first month in office an imofficial war bad been declared and ministers had resorted to their old which charted daily presentation of policy in the media.

At the Treasury, which in the eyes of Downing Street is one of the few ministries to function properly, Jill Rutter, when he was Chief Secretary, moved back to policy work. Much of her job was taken

Mr Brown's personal press officer in Opposition. She made little attempt to conceal her feelings at her leaving party when she declared: "Jus like the Princess of Wales this marriage was getting a little

By the beginning of July with the GIS. Mike Granatt, its head told a meeting of department heads that a drastic action was needed to counter the impression that they were not matching the

skills of the Millbank army. It came two weeks later. Whitehall was ordered to set modelled on Labour's slick public relations operation. In a ground-breaking initiative press officers seconded from each government department would work in a team to record; analyse and, if necessary, rebut almost every item. of news about policy in the

Alastair Campbell's media strategy has caused problems for civil servants such as Jonathan Haslam, right

The unit has been dubbedthe Ministry of Truth by scentical civil servants. It willbe operational by the end of officially in charge, but Mr Alastair Campbell is taking a keen interest. It was another famous victory for the Labour propaganda team.

But still the purge continued. In the same week it was disclosed that the information department at the Ministry of Defence was being restructured. Gill Samuel the head for five years, was moved internally. It emerged days later that George Robertson, the Defence Secretary, had leagues and Labour officials that he had become the forgotten man of British politics". Jean Caines, who was depu-

press secretary at Downing Street under Bernard Ingham. is taking early retirement from the Department of Trade sumer Affairs Minister, when he failed to answer with sufficient vigour and rigour charges levelled by the DTI about his shareholdings which forced him to withdraw

from a Government inquiry. One of the most bitter departures was Steve tion at Social Security for 10 Harman had lost confidence in him. His exit came days after the press was briefed by her officials that she intended

ter's pay rise last month. But halfway through the night Ms Harman changed her mind. He went within days.

At the end of September Mr Campbell vented the frustration of Cabinet ministers in a letter circulated to all Whitepress offices. It was raise their game". Jonathan Haslam became the biggest fish to fall foul of

the new regime vesterday after a clash with Stephen Byers, the Minister for School Standards. Many of the ones who have gone, or the others who fear they could be next, envy Richard Lehnert a chief press officer at the Welsh office, who was close to William Hague when he was Welsh Secretary and moved on at the election. He saw the writing on the wall and quit before he was



By Valerie Elliott WHITEHALL EDITOR

THE appointment yesterday of Sir Patrick Neill. QC, to succeed Lord Nolan as the public standards watchdog, marked the end of a determined search to find a prominent legal figure who was indepen-dent of party politics.

It is understood that his name was put forward by the Lord Chancellor, Lord Irvine of Lairg. Sir Patrick, who will become a life peer, will receive £500 a day for the post as chairman of the Committee on Standards in Public Life. He expects to work two or three days a week over 40

Sir Patrick has spoken out against the growing power of the European Court of Justice, but his Eurosceptic views were deemed irrelevant to the post. He has tasted controversy; during his chair-manship of the Press Councilhe was accused by the late Sir James Goldsmith, in an open letter to 120 MPs, of impugning the impartiality of the council.

Sir James claimed that the council had decided in favour of a Granada employee who worked on World in Action at a time when Sir Patrick had represented the television company and programme in a legal action.

A devout Anglican and

family man, Sir Patrick has been married to Caroline for 43 years and they had six children. One, Matthew, a barrister in his 20s, was killed in a car

crash four years ago. Sir Patrick was the first chairman of the Council for the Securities Industry and was asked by Margaret Thatcher to lead an inquiry into regulation at

He is an independent director of Times Newspaper Holdings.



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### RSPCA demands ban on use of deadly driftnets

for a ban on the use of driftnets by British fishermen. saying that they were devas-tating marine life. Species of dolphin, whales, leatherback turtles and blue shark were among those being brought close to extinction by the nets, which trapped fish by their gills and left them to die, it

While most European countries have banned driftnets. Britain, Ireland and France still use them in the northeast Atlantic, Baltic and Mediterranean to catch tuna and swordfish. The RSPCA wants a full ban before the start of the fishing season next year. At the launch of an RSPCA

report on driftnets, John Baker, a marine expert from Liverpool University, said that the fish died slow and agonising deaths, while those that escaped lived with terrible injuries or were doomed to an eventual lingering death.

They die from a process known as dry drowning. Their larynx closes so they are unable to inhale water, and asphyxiate. It can take hours before death occurs, especially with larger species." Dr Baker

"We know they often struggle violently, from the amount of net that gets caught round their bodies, which can result

Dolphins and whales are among

dolphins and porpoises were

being caught in potentially unsustainable numbers.

Research on more than 27 per cent of the French fleet revealed they had caught 48

species unintentionally, in-

cluding five types of whale, four species of dolphin and

"It is devastating in terms of environmental welfare." Ms

McLachlan said. "The striped

dolphin, which lives in the

northeast Atlantic, is threat-

She agreed that fishermer

would have to be compensated

but said there were more

targeted methods that could

prove more economic. The

aunch of the report was

attended by the Labour MP

Ian Cawsey, who has asked

the Fisheries Minister Elliot

Morley to support a ban when

European counterparts meet

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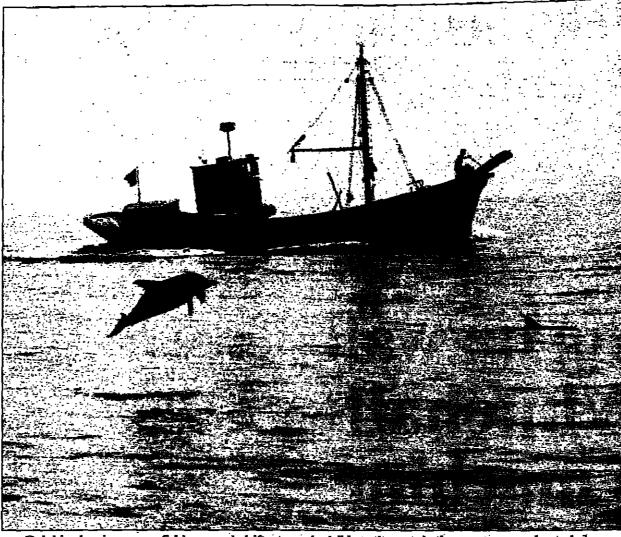
practice, reports Kathryn Knight

seen dolphin and other fish with broken bones, broken beaks and severe cuts to their head, flippers and dorsal fin. "Those who escape live with

the lingering pain of these terrible injuries. If we could see this taking place in front of our eyes, such a method of slaughter would be considered barbaric torture."

Helen McLachlan, senior wildlife officer for the RSPCA. said that while the length of driftnets had been restricted to 2.5 kilometres since 1992 this was enough to devastate the marine population. "Only total prohibition is the answer," she said.

Driftnets, known as "walls of death", are placed near the surface to catch fish found in the open seas, such as herring. mackerel and pilchard. The synthetic material used means the nets are invisible to other



Dolphins leaping near a fishing vessel: driftnets are invisible to them and other creatures, such as whale:

### Rare sea anemone becomes extinct

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ENVIRONMENT

A TINY British sea anemone found in only one location, has been declared extinct by conservationists. Ivell's sea anemone was discovered in Wide Water lagoon, Shorehan West Sussex, in 1973 by Richard Ivell, a zoology student at Oxford University studying shellfish.

It was declared a new species by Richard Manuel. also of Oxford, in the Journal of Natural History in 1975. But a thorough survey carried out in September by Robert Irving, a consultant marine biologist for the World Wide Fund for Nature, has failed to find any trace of it.

Callum Rankine, habitats and species officer for WWF, said yesterday: "This is a sad day for British conservation, itdoes not bode well for the future to lose such a rare

The survey of the lagoon was carried out as part of the Government's Biodiversity Challenge to conserve wildlife.

### Coral reefs being ruined by sewage and over-fishing

By NIGEL HAWKES, SCIENCE EDITOR

HUMAN activity is destroy-ing coral reefs all over the world, the first global survey has shown.

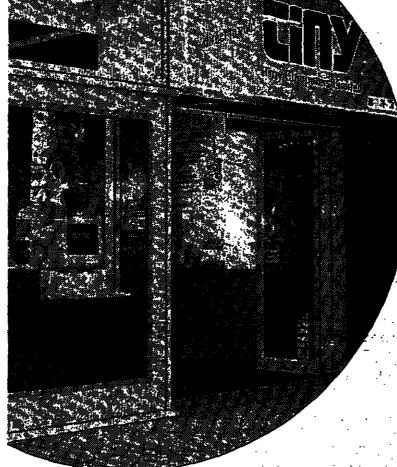
Once-common species such as lobsters are now rare, while edible cucumbers and fish such as groupers are also declining. Many reefs show evidence of damage, with broken coral and the growth of algae fed by sewage

The survey was carried out by 100 marine scientists and 750 recreational divers, who surveved more than 250 reefs in 30 countries between June 15 and August 31 this year. The divers were asked to look out for easily-recognisable species such as the lobster or the humpback wrasse, to give an indication of the effect of

First results of the study. Reef Check 1997, show that lobsters, once abundant on reefs throughout the world,

were absent from 81 per cent of the reefs studied. From 179 reefs in the Indian and Pacific oceans, only 25 lobsters were found, and 11 of those were at a single reef in an Indonesian marine reserve.

Elizabeth Wood of the Marine Conservation Society said that no lobsters were found in the Seychelles. "Valuable shells such as the giant tritor have also been over-collected as souvenirs." The results of terday at at Hong Kong University of Science and Technology. Gregor Hodgson, the co-ordinator, said "Coral reefs are the rainforests of the sea. They are . . . dollars worth of genetic material for drugs and an important factor in coastal protection. They are a tourist attraction for seven million sport



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of four Turkish Fl6s, re-

portedly chased away by eight Greek Fl6s. "Mr Tsohatzopoulos's first

comment was that Turkey

was now employing Cold War tactics," a Defence Ministry official said.

Greece has accused Tur-

key of massive airspace

olations in recent days.

TEN Jewish residents of Jerusalem Nicosia: Athens accused have been arrested for allegedly supplying explosives to Palestinians Turkey of Cold War tactics yesterday after a military for use in terrorist attacks against transport plane carrying the Greek Defence Minis-Jewish targets in Israel and the occupied territories. ter was buzzed by Turkish warplanes over the Aege-an for the second time in

days (Michael Theodonion writes). Akis Tsohatzopoulos was on ais way to Crete from Cyprus where he had been watching over joint wargames by Greek and Greek Cypriot forces which Turkey had branded a "pmyoration" peace accord. A Palestinian journalist from the

This case is just the tip of the iceberg. It is common knowledge in the West Bank and Gaza Strip that a great many of the weapons used by Hamas and other militant Palestinian groups are acquired from Jews.

— either on the criminal blackmarket or from ordinary soldiers
who want to make a quick buck." The journalist added: "The Israe-

do not care what it is going to be used for just as long as they get their money. Common items such as an AK47 assault rifle or a pound of

Turkey accused Jews held in inquiry on bomb supply to Arabs

Israeli security sources said that the case was one of the biggest of its kind in which a ring of Jews had been found apparently supplying weaponry to Palestinian extremists to enable them to continue their terror campaign designed to saho-tage the 1993 Israeli-Palestinian

occupied West Bank, who asked not to be identified, said last night:

lis have far greater access to weaponry than the Palestinians and many of those who sell to the Arabs

explosive have a going price which is widely known. Israelis enjoying the first day of the eight-day Feast of of hidden explosives, 25 detonators and 15 yards of fuse. The lam arrest of the two Arabs. Tabernacles — the annual religious holiday commemorating the 40 years spent in the wilderness by the

Jews after their explus from Egypt.

— were shocked when news of the police round-up of the Jewish sus-pects was broadcast by Israel radio. The radio disclosed that the ten unnamed Jews being held had been arrested on charges of supplying high explosives and detonators, used legally in construction work in quarries, to what the report described as "hostile elements".

The radio report said that when the suspects were arrested they were in possession of a haul of 440lb of explosives, 55 detonators and large quantities of detonator caps, which it is alleged they were preparing to sell to Palestinians, who were not publicly identified.

Police investigators believe that the ring sold explosives obtained from quarries both inside Israel and in the West Bank to Palestinians in the occupied territories.

They are linking the arrests of the suspected Jewish arms dealers with a haul of explosives made last week just before the onset of Yom Kippur, the annual holy Jewish Day of were arrested in a car carrying 110lb

caught after a car chase and named as Abdul Abu Sneineh, 36, and Yassin Abu Hadid, 23, was one cause of a maximum terrorist alert sounded throughout Israel and the occupied territories over the Yom

Kippur period.
One high-ranking police officer told the Yediot Aharonot daily newspaper after military censorship that had been imposed on reporting Palestinians had in their possession an amount of explosives that could have sent the Dizengoff Centre [Tel Aviv's main indoor shopping arcadel sky-high."

The alleged uncovering of such a significant Jewish-run arms-supply ring has posed a serious problem for the Israeli prison authorities if the arrested men should receive long

They could hardly put then inside with Palestinian terrorists. the Palestinian journalist said, "And if they put them among ordinary Israeli criminals, they would probably be torn limb from limb."



Two Jews handcuffed after their arrest on charges of selling explosives to Palestinians

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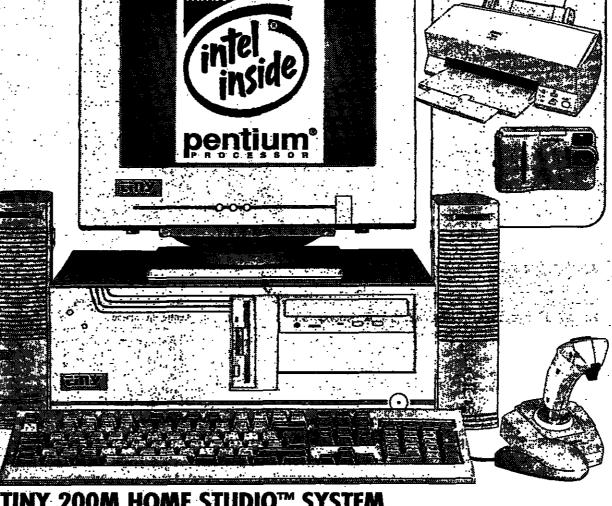
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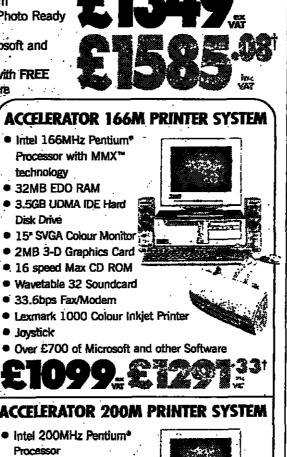
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### Greer claims role of mothers 'taken over by business'

FROM ROGER MAYNARD IN SYDNEY

THE sexual revolution has desexed rather than liberated women, Germaine Greer told a writers' festival in her home city of Melbourne.

In what the media called a provocative speech that mixed gender theory, graphic sexual imagery and a touch of prudishness", Ms Greer, 58. said women had become enslaved by a "penetration culture" that venerated the penis and assaulted the prestige of motherhood.

The author of The Female Eunuch, speaking on "Sex, Angst and the Millennium", added: "The assault on the prestige of the mother has been more successful than any feminist strategy. Our culture does not think of woman as makers of men. Motherhood is not venerated among us . . . feminist strategies were coopted into the marginalisation of the mother, who now functions primarily as a scapegoat. She can claim no credit for the successes of her children, but must bear the blame for all of their failures.

"The role of nurturer has been assumed by organisations and by business; the mother is an obstacle in the path of their complete control of the child. She must act as their agent in the socialisation

of the child or be found

Every day politicians attack mothers for being young or single or irresponsible Advertisements show middleaged women as too stupid to understand the directions on a detergent packet or smiling foods or yackety-yacking on the telephone or dematerialising as the first sips of liberating lager slide down the male

Ms Greer added: "In 1969 women had the right to say no without apology - what they didn't have was the right to say yes. Now they have a duty to say yes to whatever their

partners may desire. "Little girls begin learning penetration culture from girls magazines that tell them how to dress and make themselves up in order to look really sexy. The clothing they are supposed to wear emphasises their frail vulnerability and

their availability. "The advertisements in such teen-mags are for clothes, make-up, hair dye\_condoms and pregnancy kits. This is the culture that the liberated young women of the 1990s are being inducted into."

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Kitten woman, page 19

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### French fugitive wallowing in Bahamas luxury

ONE of France's most wanted men, a former official of President Chirac's Gaullists implicated in an illegal partyfunding scandal, fias been traced to Paradise Island in the Bahamas, where he has been living the life of a millionaire for more than two years. Didier Schuller, former di-

rector of public building works in the Hauts-de-Seine regional council outside Paris, vanished in March 1995 after he was questioned by magistrates about alleged bribes for the Gaullist RPR party in exchange for construction contracts. An international arrest warrant was issued for M Schuller on charges of influence-peddling and misuse of public funds. He has been on the run since, though report-edly sighted in Israel, Argentina. Austria. Switzerland, Africa, the United States and even Paris.

Le Nouvel Observateur magazine tracked down M Schuller this week to the Bahamas, where he had taken luxurious refuge with his wife and two children under the assumed name Dellavalle. On October 2, a provisional arrest warrant was sent by Interpol to the Bahamas police, but before they could act M Schuller had disappeared

M Schuller's life on the run was not uncomfortable: he

Former Gaullist official fled bribes

inquiry for life in the Caribbean was tipped off.

was "fed up with being treated

as the scapegoat for an affair

in which I was only an instru-

ment". M Schuller wrote that

he was "ready to help" the investigators if "the authori-

ties are prepared to hear my

The fugitive Frenchman,

who has reportedly boasted of

having Fr35 million (£3.7 mil-

lion) in various bank accounts.

was spending up to £15,000 a

month to maintain his lavish

lifestyle in the Bahamas, ac-

cording to Le Nouvel

Observateur. The source of his

wealth is likely to be the first

thing that magistrates will

want to ask him about.

case without prejudice".

sunshine, writes Ben Macintyre

rented a large colonial house for £4,000 a month, sent his daughters to one of the most expensive schools in the Bahamas and regularly played golf with other expatriates. M Schuller is seen as a key witness in the housing scandal that has dogged the RPR party for years, and his opulent lifestyle and uncanny knack of avoiding arrest has raised suspicions that he may be enjoying protection from se-nior officials who would prefer him not to return to France and testify to investigators.

Le Nouvel Observateur reported that the numerous false sightings may be a campaign of disinformation orchestrated by members of the RPR. One magistrate said: "It seems impossible they were not benefitting from complicity in high places to have managed to maintain the secrecy of their exile for so long." M Schuller's



Nostradamus: "It's the end of the world after quakes three Fridays in a row"

# \*End of the world\* quake fear stirred by Nostradamus From Richard Owen in Rome Tither powerful tremor inhiring yesterful, as ruty spread throughout trely be Big One" would strike in accordance with the ises of Nostradamus is of Nostradamuse rist double.

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ago, killing II people and damaging medieval frescoes at Assisi, where thousands of homes have been evacuated. There have since been more than 2,000 tremors, six of them measuring more than four on

the Richter scale. On Tuesday a epicentre at sellano, 20 miles hem Assisi, was and Malta will be church with 18th-century: frescoes suffered

damage - and even as far south as Naples. The epicentre yesterday's

tremor was also at Sellano. where the town centre has been almost completely desalvaged . 12th century .. archives from the town hall. Thousands of residents of Umbria and the Marche are living under canvas or in prefabricated homes. Seismologists remain baffled by the

ming tremors. Vulcanologists from the Etna and Vesuvius areas have been called in to see if they can throw any light on the phe-

obsession without end" was The first double earthquake the headline in yesterday's La bit central Italy three weeks Stampa, which reported that people near the epicentre were awaiting the end of the world".

Bookshops in Rome and Perugia have sold out of the prophecies of Nostradamus, the 16th-century astrologer,

adviser to Caththat the end of the world would row. The third and last quake

ing to Nostrada occur today. would be apocalyptic in scale, setting off a series of deaths and disasters. Psychologists

said pre-millennial fears were becoming widespread. We are living with fear." said La-Repubblica. The continuing quakes were

giving rise to a national psychosis. Two psychologists from the University of Padua. Roberto Marino and Carlo Heinrich, said people in the quake zone suffered from psy-chological disorders, including loss of libido.

want to see the Party reformed

along the lifes of socialist

movements in Eastern Europe

and the dichard Soviet funda-

mentalists who refuse any notion of compromise.

Aside from the ideological

debate there is a growing

perception that the Commuhists have allowed themselves

to be co-opted by the Government Germadi Seleznyov, the Duma, is regarded as having

a overly cozy relationship with the Kremlin. Mr Zyuganov,



### Communists in retreat \* after vote collapses

FROM RICHARD BERSTON IN MOSCOW

RUSSIA'S once mighty Communist Party was in disarray yesterday after its humiliating climbdown in Parliament, the latest in a succession of failed attempts to muster a united opposition against the Kremlin.

Despite warnings over the past few weeks of a "hot. the Communists and their Nationalist allies vowed to challenge President Yeltsin's rule, the opposition retreated without firing a shot in the first engagement of the political season

Although the largest party in the Duma, the lower house of parliament, the Communists on Wednesday lost their nerve before a no confidence. motion in the Government which they had earlier proposed. When it became clear that they would not be able to muster the necessary votes for the motion, they gratefully accepted a compromise from

President Yeltsin. It now seems doubtful that the no confidence motion, in its present form, will ever be

> FROM ROGER BOYES IN BONN

Third Reich began a yeterans'

Social Democratic and

Minister, for allowing the

grade above the Iron Cross

right-wing circles," she said in

fierce controversy.



Zyuganev: could face.

put to the vote and to many minds the opposition seems to have been cowed by Mr Yeltsin's threat to call parlia-

mentary elections. The debacle in the Dumahas raised fresh questions about the leadership abilities of Gennadi Zyuganov, the lacklustre Communist Party leader, who could face a rebellion by hardliners when the party faithful gather for their congress tomorrow. Already there are reports of

splits within the ranks among

rebellion by hardiners

who daily denounces the economic reform programme of the Government was seen having an infimate dinner at an exclusive Moscow gentlemen's club the other night

with Anatoli Chubais, the deputy Prime Minister who masterminded Russia's privatisation programme. - An opinion poll released yesterday revealed that 54 per cent of Russians believe the country has taken the wrong

path for reform. However, an cointon poll at the weekend showed that if presidential elections were held today, Mr Zyuganov would get less than 20 per cent of the vote. a wouldn't be a volicensed a

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### Reno to work with FBI on funds scandal

JANET RENO, the US Attorney-General, has tried to appease Republican critics by promising not to close any part of her inquiry into fundraising by President Clinton or Vice-President Al Gore without prior FBI approval.

In what appeared to be an unprecedented sharing of power between the Justice Department and the FBI, Ms Reno said that no investigation of alleged irregular fundraising by the White House would be concluded without the joint sanction of herself and Louis Freeh, the a restaurateur who later

bureau's director. Her detasion came after the release of more embarrassing video-tapes by the White House showing President Clinton at ease with the most notorious figures involved in Democratic fundraising for his reelection last year.

They included Asian connections from Mr Clinton's time as Arkansas Governor. James Riady, the Indonesian billionaire, John Huang, the top Democratic fundraiser who is at the centre of the controversy, and Charlie Trie,

> "my good friend". Although the 100 hours of extra film failed to show Mr Clinton soliciting funds on federal property, a violation of American election law, the widely televised pictures, combined with Republican attacks on Ms Reno, gave further momentum to the often complex and sluggish inquiry.

owned a multinational com-

pany. The President has main-

tained he had only a faint

recollection of Mr Trie. In the

videotape, however. Mr Clinton declares: "Soon it will be

20 years since I had my first

meal with Charlie Trie. At the

time, neither one of us could

afford the ticket to this

Months after the dinner,

held in May 1996, the Demo-

cratic Party was forced to

return more than \$3 million

(£1.8 million) in irregular for-

eign donations, in large part

raised by Mr Trie and Mr Huang, whom Mr Clinton

welcomes in other footage as

Johnny Chung, another key player who has claimed he handed a \$50,000 cheque to Hillary Clinton's aides at the White House and was later granted an audience with Mrs Clinton, is seen receiving a hug from the President. Records show that this was just one of 49 visits Mr Chung made to the White House. Ms Reno's decision to give

joint authority to the FBI appeared to have failed in its aim to relieve pressure from Republican opponents in Congress, who viewed her move as a stalling tactic.



his first night in Buenos Aires in true Argentine style, emerging at 10pm from his hotel to visit the famous Las Lilas steak restaurant in a fashionable area by the port. He and his wife, Hillary, were served the best of Argen-

tine beef, salads and a selection of the country's top red wines. Afterwards the Clintons went to the Don Tango bar in the colonial district of San Telmo and watched a tango show. The Clintons took to the dance floor with some remarkable footwork. Throughout the President's

first visit to South American countries, he has been keen to abandon protocol. He al-lowed dozens of shantytown dwellers in Rio de Janeiro to shower him with hugs and kisses. On stepping from Air Force One in Buenos Aires, he received a bear hug from President Menem.

Yesterday Mr Clinton had official meetings with Senor Menem and government officials. He needs support for his proposal to create a free-trade zone in the Americas in the new millennium. Señor Menem said he shared the "Clinton dream", but no formal agreement was signed. The two leaders were due to sign accords on educational projects, the war on drugs, environmental protection and technological

During a speech at a ceremony in honour of General José San Martin, Argentina's most revered liberator, Mr Clinton said he had notified the US Congress to designate Argentina as a special ally outside Nato. This is in part a thank you for Argentina's participation in 16 UN peacekeeping missions and its sending of troops and two frigates to the Gulf War. But it is also a diplomatic pleasantry in recognition of Senor

seemed just as prominent as lenses of photographers, who ing a thick red trouser suit. between 1974 and 1982.



President Clinton hugs Pele after visiting a school for poor children founded by the football star, near one of Rio de Janeiro's shantytowns on Wednesday

campaign for a Brazilian

the political one. Mr and Mrs Clinton are due to attend a gala dinner at the Rural Society Club, hosted by Argentina's richest landowners. Mrs Clinton, who has discarded dresses for trouser suits for most of the tour, seems to have been trying to send a feminist message to traditionally macho societies.

It is possible that she is Menem's support.

It is possible that she is Rio de Janeiro slum in 42C.

The social agenda has trying to avoid the peering (107F) of tropical heat, wear-

On arrival in Argentina on her last visit to Brazil in 1994 caught a view of her hours later, she wore a large vellow coat over black trouunderwear as she sat in a conference hall. The photosers. Yesterday she wore a graph, banned after comlight blue full-length trouser plaints from the American She met yesterday Argenti-Embassy, was used for some months in an advertising na's Grandmothers of Plaza

de Mayo, who are searching

for the children of some of the lingerie line. Mrs Clinton had toured a 10,000 people who were tortured and disappeared dur-Rio de Janeiro slum in 42C ing the military dictatorship

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### **SUMMARY** Lake life killed to

save trout Los Angeles: State officials have poisoned all the fish in Lake Davis, 150 miles northeast of San Francisco, to prevent the northern pike destroying the area's trout and hire

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salmon (Giles Whittell writes). Residents of the town of Portola mounted a candle-lit vigil as three activists in wetsuits padlocked themselves to a buoy in an effort to stop the action. They were arrested. The lake will be restocked with 700,000 trout in about two months.

#### Singapore spill

Singapore: An empty Thai supertanker and a ship half its size collided in the Singapore Strait, causing one of the worst oil spills South-East Asia has seen. The Cyprusregistered tanker Evoikos spilt 25,000 tonnes of fuel oil after colliding with the supertanker Orapin Global. Australia, Japan and the United States have agreed to send equipment to hasten the cleanup. (Reuters)

#### Cut and run

New York: A woman in Duluth, Minnesota, is suing her diabetic former fiance, who she says duped her so her brother would donate his kidney (Tunku Varadarajan writes). Richard McNutt broke off the engagement two days after the transplant. The donor said: "I thought he wanted my sister's heart, but I now see he only wanted my kidney."

#### Safe investment

Bogotá: Colombian politicians earmarked £8.6 million of next year's £19.3 billion budget to buy themselves bullet-proof vests, armour-plated vehicles and bodyguards to confront a rising wave of rebel-led and drug-related violence. (Reuters)

### Nobel accolade

Phnom Penh: Tun Channareth, a Cambodian antimine campaigner who lost both legs to an anti-personnel mine 15 years ago, will accept the Nobel Peace Prize on behalf of the anti-landmine campaign, officials said. (AP)

### Islam wedding for 10,000 couples

Reno, who attempted to appease Republican critics

attempt to fill the vacuum of ethnic leadership in America. Louis Farrakhan has announced he will preside over the weddings of 10,000 couples in a multiracial ceremony here

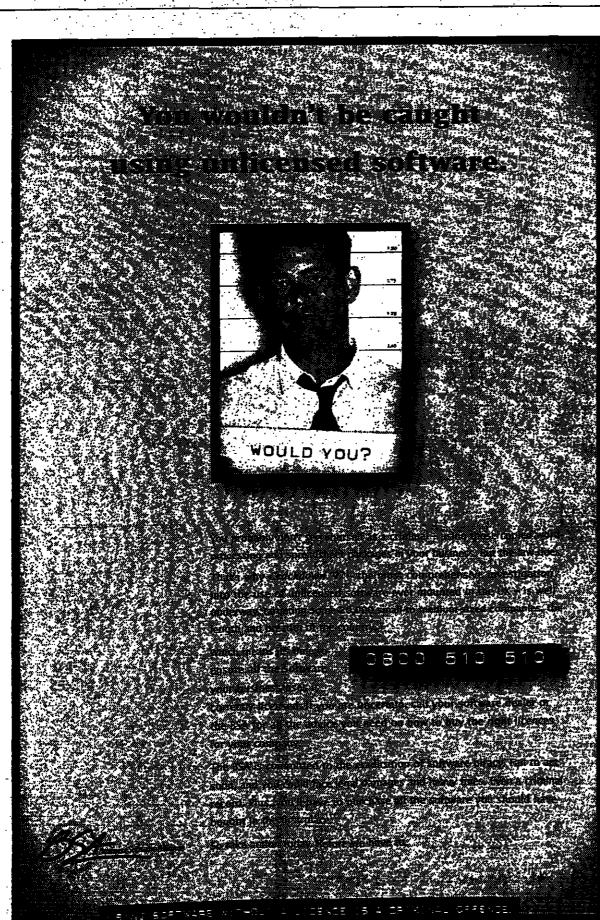
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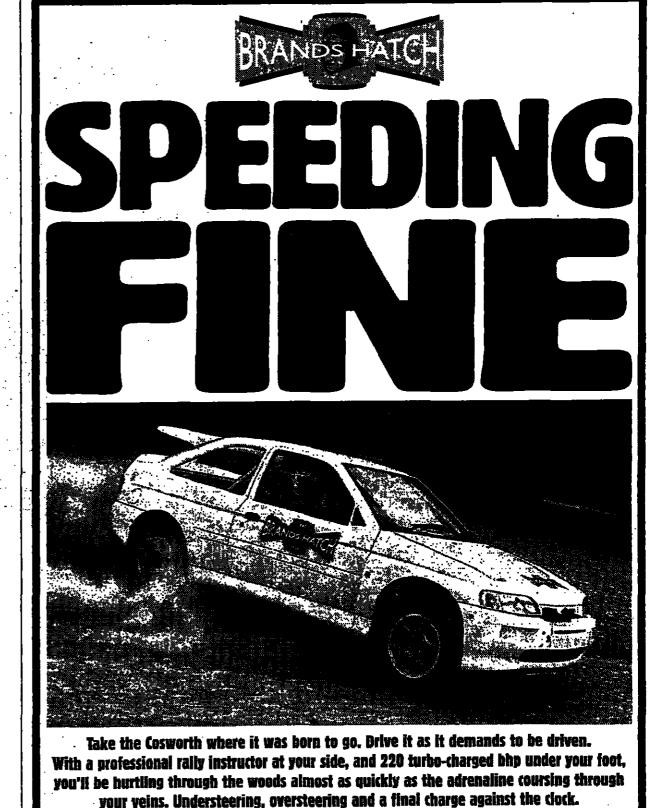
in 2000 (Tom Rhodes writes). The controversial head of the Nation of Islam is one of the most powerful black voices. in America. He made his of other couples at the millen- phia in a fortnight.

yesterday for a Second World Day of Atonement to mark the second year of the Million Man March in Washington on October 16, 1995. He urged black Americans to remain at home as part of a reaffirma-

nial ceremony. I hope to marry 10,000 new couples on that day, so that we may go into the millennium not black male, black female, but as a wholesome family with God at the centre." He has also announced that

he is helping black female He also plans to renew the activists organise a Million marriage vows of thousands Woman March in Philadel-





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### Angolan firepower eases ex-dictator's takeover in Congo

By Sam Kiley, africa correspondent

THE former Marxist military dictator of Congo returned to power yesterday after his troops swept into Brazzaville, the capital, and Pointe Noire, the centre of the oil industry, with the help of Angolan government soldiers, tanks and jet fighters.

The swift victory of General Denis Sassou-Nguesso was as much a triumph for Angola, which has secured the oil-rich enclave of Cabinda from attacks by Unita. the Angolan rebel movement, as it was for General Sassou-Nguesso's Cobra militia. The Angolans and the militia swept into Pointe Noire on Wednesday evening, a day after President Lissouba had lost the capital in a surprise assault on his palace by the Cobras, backed up by Angolan MiGs.

"Today the war is over. We control all of the country and all major cities," Jean-Marie Tassoua, a senior commander in the Cobra militia, said by telephone on Wednesday evening. The civil war

began in June when Mr Lissouba attempted to disarm the Cobra militia; after that it degenerated into a "Liberian scenario", in which drugged and drunken fighters dressed in drag to frighten their

Yesterday, bodies of alleged looters lay on the streets of Pointe Noire while Angolan tanks controlled key roads and the airport, but the city was otherwise quiet. In Paris, the French Defence Ministry placed 300 paratroops on

standby to evacuate the city and most foreigners were ordered to stay in their hotels or the French consulate until tensions eased. Brazzaville, a city close to many French hearts since it was a headquarters of the Free French during the Second World War, has

been reduced to rubble after months of indiscriminate shelling that also hit Kinshasa, the capital of the neighbouring Democratic Republic of Congo. formerly Zaire.

Mr Lissouba was reported to

have fled in a helicopter to the Republic shortly before the fall of Pointe Noire. In a French radio interview he insisted that he was still the President because he had not been ousted in elections which were cancelled after the fighting broke out in June. He came to power after winning the elections against General Sassou-Nguesso

France moved quickly yesterday to establish a good relationship with General Sassou-Nguesso, who had ruled Congo along Marx-ist lines while selling oil to Elf Aquitaine, the French petrochemical company, for 12 years.

in 1992

"Sassou-Nguesso is the master of Brazzaville, and since his Congolese allies have occupied Pointe Noire without firing a shot, one can consider he is the man to talk to, to put into place a new democratic process," said Charles Josselin, the French Development Aid Minister. Although France and the United

States condemned publicly Ango-

la's involvement in Congo, diplomats in the region said they were relieved that the war appeared to have come to a sudden end. The collapse of Mr Lissouba's Government was partly due to the lack of discipline of his forces, but

A member of the Cobra militia which, backed by Angola, defeated the forces of the elected President Lissouba in Brazzaville mainly because he had provided bases for Unita guerrillas to launch assaults inside Cabinda and the rest of Angola, provoking the involvement of Angolan govern-

ment troops in the conflict. Jonas Savimbi, the Unita leader, has been reluctant to implement Angola's peace accords and has enjoyed the use of bases outside the country to continue his struggle. But in the past ten months he has lost his key bases after the removal of President Mobutu in the former

Zaire and now with the political demise of Mr Lissouba, his ally.
One Western diplomat in Kinconflicts, said: "The prospects for peace in Angola look better every time Savimbi takes a knock."



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### Hutu night raids revive genocide fears in Rwanda

BLOODSTAINED rags and a wicker stretcher outside Gisenyi hospital show that yet another 'war" victim has been brought down from the hills ringing this northwest Rwanda town by the border with the Disposartic Resulting with the Democratic Republic of Congo, formerly Zaire.

This time a farmer from the Hour majority has been injured in a machete attack. Those who took him to hospital say his assailants were from Mudende, a refugee camp holding about 12,000 ethnic Tutsis from Congo. "This is happening all the time now." says "Celestin Ndarasi, the hospital admin-Tibey are us brought down in the morning after a night-time attack." Soon afterwards comes

news that 37 Tutsis were killed on Monday night at Arusha, a settlement for Rwandans who returned from refugee camps in Zaire shortly before the 1994 Rwandan genocide. They are said to have been attacked by Hutu militants and soldiers from the former Rwandan Army, themselves just back from Congo camps.

More than three years after the genocide that killed at least half a million people, mostly Tutsis, Rwanda is still locked in a cycle of murder and revenge. Laurent Kabila's Rwandan-backed victory in Congo has not brought peace to Central Africa; there is widespread unrest in eastern Congo and fighting has spilt over into Uganda. Rwanda's Hutu extremists

are back in business inside their own country, launching strikes from bases among the tree-lined hills that are a tra-

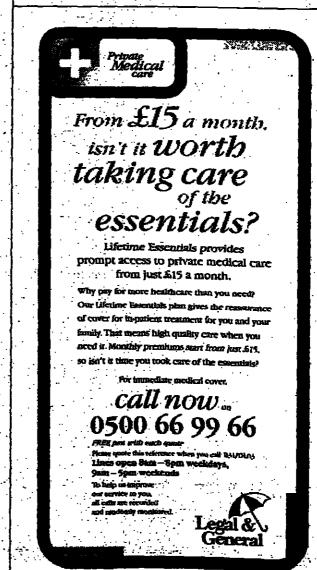


ditional stronghold. Gisenyi's inhabitants live in fear. One awake to the sound of machinegun fire and mortars coming from hills by the airport. Never before had there been such a raid on the town. And never before they come in such large numbers; at least 1,000 were in the attack, according to the Rwandan Patriotic Army (RPA).

"We treated about 15 in-jured [RPA] soldiers here." says the hospital administrator. Asked if any injured rebels were brought in, he smiles, then looks at the ground. The inference is clear. this is a bloody war and few prisoners are taken. During May and June the RPA says it killed 1.800 "rebels" here. The United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights Field Operations in Rwanda knows of only a dozen prison ers being taken.

An average of 1,000 Rwandans have died violent deaths every month, according to UN officials, many of them unarmed civilians.

The Rwandan Government insists that the security situation is improving but the Tutsi-dominated regime is fighting for its survival. Little



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# Cook

### lists gains from trip

By MICHAEL BINYON

FAR from being the accident-prone fiasco por-trayed in the media, the state visits to India and Pakistan have been spec-tacularly successful, Robin Cook, the Foreign Secretary, said yesterday:

The visit to India had led to important trade contracts, brought huge and warm crowds into the streets, especially in Amritsar, and has yielded valuable political agree-ments during his talks Inder Kumar Gujral, the Prime Minister, Mr Cook

The Foreign Secretary, who returned home on Wednesday, said there was a perception in the Royal Household that there were two state visits: the one reported by the media which focused only on protocol difficulties, and the one experienced by the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh.
When we returned

from Amritsar we were euphoric at the reception," Mr Cook said. He said that tens of thousands of people came to see the Queen, with crowds stretching for 20 miles. The high point was the presence of five Sikhs from Birmingham who were paying for the restoration of the Golden Temple. This illustrates the very close ties between our two countries," Mr Cook told The Times.

State visits, he said, had three main purposes, and these had been achieved. The first was the people-to-people contact, which was "spectacularly" achieved at Amritsar, Madras and in the other cities visited. The second was tocreate a good climate in which to boost trade. And the third was to give meet in the wings of the visit and discuss bilateral relations.

Mr Cook said his talks with Mr Gujral had gone well. "He said that political and economic relations had never been better or in better shape." He said they discussed cooperation in the World Trade Organisation, at the United Nations and at the forthcoming Commonwealth conference in Edinburgh. Mr Guiral will be one of only four speakers at the opening of the summit

He said that his talks in Pakistan had focused on how to obtain a ceasefire in Afghanistan and the vital issue of drug trade prevention.

### Blair seeks to salvage royal tour of India

Cook tried yesterday to sal-vage the Queen's tour of India after a series of blunders left the Government embroiled in its first serious foreign policy setback. The war of words between Delhi and London is threatening to overshadow next week's Commonwealth

conference in Edinburgh.

The Prime Minister ordered the Cabinet to highlight the successes of the tour after damaging coverage in Britain and India. Senior ministers tried to play down suggestions of a rift between Buckingham Palace and the Government after a royal official appeared to deflect blame for breaches of protocol on to ministers. But hopes that the contro-

versy might die down were dashed last night when Indian government sources claimed Labour had a "hidden agenda" to create an independent, Kashmir. The unnamed sources said Mr Cook had told Indian authorities the Kashmir issue was an "article of faith" with the Labour Party. "The hidden agenda was ultimately to obtain an independent state of Jammu and Kashmir," the sources said. "Cook genuinely believes that there is an unfinished

business of Partition."

A speech by the Queen in Islamabad called on Pakistan and India to settle their "historic differences" over Kashmir, a remark that upset the Indian Government because it was seen as internationalising the conflict. But a senior official travelling with the Queen yesterday said she had

Blunders leave Government with

serious foreign policy hitch, says Philip Webster,

political editor Britain. The Queen does not

go out on a limb."

Senior palace officials were reported later to have assured the Foreign Office that the remarks were not intended as criticism of the Government. They said that the official was merely stating the constitutional position and had no complaint over the advice offered by Mr Cook to the Queen. Mr Cook, back in Landon, spoke to Sir Robert Fellowes, the Queen's private secretary, yesterday and there was apparently no acrimony.
High-ranking Foreign Office sources said that Mr Cook

was not aware that the palace was levelling any criticism at the Government. Mr Cook later defended the Islamabad speech which the Foreign Office would have automatically seen. "It is unreasonable to criticise Her Majesty for calling for reconciliation between the two countries," he said. The Foreign Secretary and Mr Blair were at pains all day to claim that the media's concentration on alleged breaches of protocol had obscurred the true

value of the tour. Mr Cook described the row

had to cancel last night as a storm in a toast-cup. And in a move that appeared to take the pressure off Sir David Gore-Booth, British High Commissioner in Delhi, the Foreign Secretary let it be known that no blame attached

Ministers said that reports of friction between Britain and India were "making mountains out of molehills". But tensions persisted with another Indian government minister criticising Mr Cook and the Duke of Edinburgh.

The row has given a rare chance for the Conservatives to attack. Michael Howard, the Shadow Foreign Secretary, accused Mr Cook of damaging Britain's standing abroad. "Never has a Foreign Secretary caused so much offence to so many people in such a short time. He has made a disastrous start."

At yesterday's Cabinet meet-ing Mr Cook said the royal visit to Pakistan and India had been a success, contrary to media reports. He described the "enormous warmth" with which people had greeted the Queen, and said the trip had also been a major success in trade terms, with the signing of eight big contracts.

Jayanthi Natarajan, the In-

dian Civil Aviation Minister. told BBC Radio 4's The World at One that although the state visit had been "successful from the Queen's point of view", there was unhappiness about "certain avoidable remarks" attributed to Mr Cook.

> Philip Howard, page 20 Leading article, page 21



R. Venkataraman, the for mer President of India meets a dancer from the

Kalakshetra Foundation after watching a dance pertree in Madras yesterday (Christopher Thomas writes). It was a quiet day, as outwardly screne as all the

### Roses tribute to Gandhi

of crafts, the Queen fulfilled a

more sombre engagement.

She was driven for an hour

out of the city to the park

vhere Rajiv Gandhi, the for-

mer Prime Minister, was

blown up by a suicide-bomb-er in 1991, and laid a wreath

of red roses in front of a

memorial. Today she flies to

Cochin for the penultimate

weeks of state visits to Pakistan and India, belying the confusion that has been swirlng about her.

But besides viewing the dancing, the making of a Tamil film and an exhibition

### demands return of diamond By MICHAEL BINYON

**Politician** 

A SENIOR Indian opposition politician demanded yesterday that Britain return to India the world's most famous diamond and the largest collection of Indian manuscripts.

Speaking on the BBC Today programme, K.R. Malkani, a leading member of the BJP Hindu nationalist party, called for the return of the India Office Library, renewing claims that have been made for more than 50 years.

There is no chance that the Government will agree to the transfer of the diamond or the priceless collection of books in the British Library. "The Koh-i-Noor forms part of the Crown Jewels and will not be returned," the Foreign Office

Even before independence, Indian politicians were demanding the return of the 106carat gem that is the centrepiece of the Queen Mother's Crown. It was presented to Queen Victoria by the East India Company in 1850. At intervals over the past 50 years that demand has been repeated by Indian politicians.

The India Office Library is a priceless collection of manuscripts and archives from and about India and Asia that was formerly housed in the India Office in Whitehall. It now forms part of the British Library, and with 13 miles of archives and about a million published items is the richest collection in the world.

Some 70 per cent of them are in Asian languages; the rest are books published in Europe. Many do not deal with India at all, but cover much of Asia and Africa. including records of dealings between the East India Company and China.

### **Envoy rejects fuss** about little toasts here and there'

FROM CHRISTOPHER THOMAS IN MADRAS

CONTROVERSY continued to dog the Queen's visit yesterday, despite an intensive damage control exercise by the Foreign Office and the Palace. British sources indicated that Robin Cook, the Foreign Secretary, had raised the question of Kashmir with Inder Kumar Gujral, the Prime Minister, in Delhi this week despite an Indian statement saying he had not done so.

It was apparently not a hostile meeting, as some Indian reports indicated yesterday, but Mr Gujral did urge Mr Cook to be more cautious in his public statements.

The two countries have been at odds all week about events surrounding the Queen's visit, in large measure because of India's outrage at what it suspects is the British Government's anti-Indian position

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the famous Commander Adam

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over Kashmir. The denth of anger is reflected in extraordinary outbursts by official spokesmen in Delhi.

Comments yesterday by Sir David Gore-Booth, the British High Commissioner to Delhi, were described by one External Affairs Ministry spokesman as an attempt to "cover his backside". Sir David said the brief remarks that the Queen had planned in Tamil Nadu, which she was forced to cancel because India said protocol allowed only one speech per state visit, had never amounted to a speech. "I am not sure what the fuss

is all about," he said. It had never been intended that there should be more than one major speech. The rest were going to be "little toasts here and there. The Queen did not feel embarrassed. "It is a little snafu that is bound to occur in a programme of this magnitude and complexity."

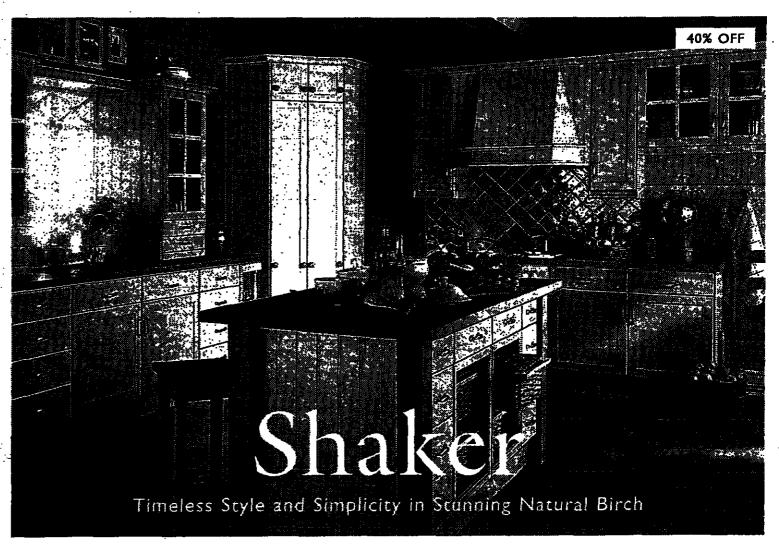
He said the relationship between Britain and India was sensitive for historical reasons and the fact that India had invited the Oueen was a tribute to her and Britain. The visit was bound to be difficult to navigate because of historic sensitivities. He defended the speech she made in Pakistan because "it would be extremely odd if the Queen were in Pakistan and did not refer to what is, for the Pakistanis, the

Palace officials indicated yesterday that the Queen had accepted that the Royal Family must adapt after the death of Diana, Princess of Wales, but made it clear there would be no sudden switch of style. They spoke of the need for "softer, gentler touches".

A senior source said that "no one should ever try to persuade any member of the Royal Family to be anything they are not. The Palace regards the death of the Princess as the first royal tragedy to occur in what a senior official called the mass media culture". He said shock waves normally took time to reach the outside world but this time they had reached everyone immediately.

These observations indicate soul-searching within the Royal Family to redefine its role. The Queen's trip to Pakistan and India could have successfully projected her but instead the visit has been mired in trouble. The Queen is described, nevertheless, as happy with the welcome she has received. Palace officials talked of the "nit-picking" that has overwhelmed the trip's positive aspects. The affair of the cancelled speech in Madras had added to other "fleabites" during the tour

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for her debut as chief designer at Chloe. On each of the little gilt

establishment who could weep that

their most famous ateliers have been overrun by Britons. What is more, the Britons look set to stay. John Galliano is firmly established,

It is McQueen who really riles

the haute bourgeoisie. His uncouth looks and camouflage trousers are

him sitting in the lighting gantry during the Givenchy show, lighting

a cigarette and swigging his beer, would have sent them into apo-

plexy. (Had he shown in Milan, the police would probably have charged him with batons.)

So Paris Fashion Week is scarce-

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Japanese and Belgian and Austrian

econstructionists. Even Chanel is

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ack in the 1960s, Sir Paul McCartney hitch-hiked to

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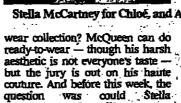


John Galliano, left, for Dior, Stella McCartney in her first collection for Chloe, Galliano, again for Dior, and Issey Miyake



Paris Fashion Week scarcely qualifies as being truly French any more, says Style Editor Grace Bradberry





McCartney out it at all? To everyone's surprise, it was McCartney, 25, just two years out of Central St Martin's, who silenced the doubters most effectively. The



Stella McCartney for Chloe, and Alexander McQueen for Givenchy

Naomi Campbell and Kate Moss, who modelled in McCartney's graduate show, were back, opening the collection in white dresses with tiny frills and lines of open-work reminiscent of Edwardi-

an lingerie looks. But it is McCartney's trouser suits, wide legged, flat-fronted with jackets cut sexily across the bust to expose camisole tops, that are likely

produce some outre clothes to give themselves an avant-garde cachet, McCarmey doesn't. Her front row — Paul, Ringo, David Bailey, was the cachet.

The Dior show was harder to call. Galliano's fusion of Belle Epoque splendour with boudoir seduction has proved such a winning combination that he has carried it over from the haute couture to the ready-to-wear. But the dresses, including sturning bias-cut lingerie numbers, were less opulent versions of their cou-

espite a section of the show hopefully entitled "Business Meetings", the combination of high-waisted pinstripe trousers with double-breasted jackets tucked inside, seem unlikely to catch on. The short, nipped-waist jackets remain highly desirable.

McQueen, showing his second ready-to-wear collection for Givenchy, was the only one to strike out in a new direction. The Paris-Texas theme only occasionally descended into kitsch. If some of the trouser suits featured scary shoulder pads, then others were lean, mean and rather cool, with fringing on sleeves that flared into a bell-bottom.

But if Parisians find McQueen a little outlandish, then there is still hope for him, compared with Issey Miyake whose collection did not inspire immediate affection. The opening dresses, constructed of swattes of off-white muslin, were reminiscent of surgical bandages. Later, billows of crushed silk wound round the models in sculp-





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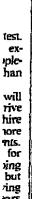
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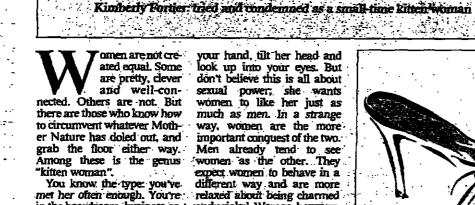
Germaine Greer, critical

As Germaine Greer attacks the women's magazine culture of sexual availability, Vogue profiles the kitten woman in all her fluffy glory. Below, Kimberly Fortier









your mind, when she comes bustling in (late again). Her taxi ran into a political protest in Park Lane: what's the problem with these Albanians anyway? She sits down, cocks her head and playfully taps your wrist. What a marvellous manicure you have. She can't ever find the time... or any place in town... where do you 20? Now, about the printing contract, it's 25 per cent over what she's budgeted and she's been reading that paper prices are way down per tonnage. Sorry, no deal at this price. But don't you just love the Financial Times - the pink paper. so flattering to the complexion? It reflects up on to your

face when you read it ... This is kitten woman in all her fluffy, purring, girlish glory. Listen carefully and you'll hear the distinctive call: whether it's a Jackie Kennedystyle baby whisper or Marilyn Monroe's breathy, little-girl drawl, it's not the kind of voice you hear hurtling over the time" call in a pub. At a party. the man she's speaking to has to lean forward to hear her. Quite a bit forward — unless she's actually whispering in

Kitten woman has a way of making every gesture look childlike and intimate. If she's a friend of yours, she'll straighten your collar, clasp what her friends call a good

women to like her just as much as men. In a strange way, women are the more important conquest of the two. Men already tend to see expect women to behave in a different way and are more met her often enough. You're relaxed about being charmed want a certain amount of sameness from their female friends and colleagues (partic-

Though they can sound rather outrageous in print, the common to kitten women are actually quite subtle, as is the dress code. She does not go for overtly sexy or glamorous clothing nor does she favour cutting edge designer fashion. dresses and slender trousers and jackets are chosen so that she will be noticed, not her clothes. In a subtly titillating way, they often resemble an elegant school uniform. She wears very good jewellery, which she's collected purposefully for years. Her manicure is neat, nails not too long, garish varnish out of the question. Her make up is neutral (no smoky-eyed, scarlet-lipped vamping) and applied to create the glow of health and youth. Her hair is tangi-

ularly if the women in ques-

Other women are alarmed by all that verbal tap-dancing and eyelash fluttering. They doubt and distrust. To win these women over is the ultimate victory.

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voice and the body language Her pastel linen suits, tidy

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shine and bounce. She has



cut. There is a certain timeless quality to her personal style: she is not interested in slavish ly following whatever trend is being touted this year.

Of course, the kitten woman is nothing new, quite the opposite. Through history, kittenish behaviour has been a ferminine ideal. It reached its zenith in the 19th century. when if you didn't have an adorable, wheedling child bride, then you'd married the wrong girl. Since the First World War, there has been a gradual flow of women into the workforce, accelerating with the sexual liberation of the Sixties and the break-up of the traditional family unit.

### WHO'S WHO IN THE FELINE STAKES

Helena Bonham Carter Charle Blair The Queen Mother Anna Ford Julie Burchill Donatella Versace Naomi Wolf Felicity Kendal Arundhati Roy Anna Wintour

Emma Thompson Clare Short Camilla Perker Bowles Sue MacGregor Charlotte Raven Donna Karan Dame Maggie Smith Jeanette Winterson Diana Vreeland

and needs for their sisters.

Ambition and career are ac-

ceptable. Motherhood and

family are equally fine. Yet

women are still stigmatised. A

woman can do what she

wants, as long as she sticks to

some fairly strict, though un-spoken, guidelines. Work

must be taken seriousy, un-

emotionally, purposefully: just

admired, she now faces con-

tempt from the (non-feline)

female population. A case in

point is the phone call I received from Vogue's features

director. She began to describe

Poor kitten woman. Once

like a man does really.

iour that was tangibly unacceptable to her. "You know," she said, "the kind of woman who makes you feel like she's in a pink taffeta dress while you're slumping about in your icans. The kind of woman who doesn't let on that she's [big pause] really quite [bigger pause] intelligent." Ugh! I knew why she was asking me to write this. I was being tried (and condemned) as a smalltime kitten woman.

In defence, I have to say that kitten behaviour is rarely a conscious, calculated act; it's more a mixture of folkloric memory and nature. It's a preference for the roundabout over the straight line, nuanced chatter over direct confrontation; Talleyrand over Napoleon. Clara Bow over Joan Crawford. We want success, like everyone else. And sometimes it's best reached through a great deal of laughter and tossing of curls. "I tend to hire very chatty, feminine women," admits the chairman of an advertising agency. "Beneath a barrage of inane chatter they move quite successfully to

wards a specific goal." As the American novelist Walker Percy once said of Southern girls (the mothers of

and Erica Wagner debate the issue Erica Wagner: women are people, kittens are just baby cats you coming in several differ-

ent directions before you even know they're there." In this way their lack of obvious direction is a great defence for a kitten woman. If people don't know what you're trying to achieve, then they can't pinpoint failure. Life is fun, let's be merry, snapping up that big IBM contract is just the cherry on the cake. Let's face it, men

control of the citadel and they're not crazy about ambi-

tious without looking it, works. Early BBC footage of Margaret Thatcher shows the young MP talking softly of politics while she does the washing-up after Sunday lunch, What a pro. The deflating part of life for

kitten woman is that many people don't get the joke. My beautiful, serious best friend is still puzzled by the way time explaining me to her other friends. She once introduced me to a Guardian journalist with the words: This is Kimber-

ly. She is not as she seems." When we meet after work I reproach her: "Why can't I be interested in the environment and have a great hairdo, too? Why can't I support women MPs

new handbag with the Chancellor of the Exchequer: I'm sure we could move on to exchange-rate policy later? My friend snorts. "Knock it off," she says. "They'll just think you're stupid. Why don't you think about just slightly retuning your public personality?" I find this depressing. It makes me feel like Channel 5.

nel? Why can't I discuss my

ment. You are admired for being earnest, driven, caring and modern. Let me be frivolous, flirtatious and slightly

dippy. And we're not out to get you. One good thing about kitten women is that they don't like to use their claws.

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#### KITTEN WOMEN TIGRESSES

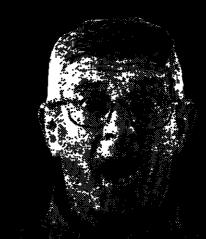
Why I prefer real charm over guile

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They've given you a list. Felicity Kendal or Clare Short. Who's it going

to be? They're all out there, the categories we can slot ourselves into. Men and women both — but let's face it, mainly women. Kitten woman seems to be the latest. She's not quite a vamp, she's nicer than that, she'd never steal your husband and you'd never lean over to your partner, flick your chin in her direction and whisper, "Look what she's got on, Really."

Kitten woman keeps it quiet. Nice manicure, tasteful clothes, curis cut just right for tossing. She gets her man and in this case let's take that as a fair metaphor for her business deal, or just her way - with a good deal of cleverness and a healthy dose of cyclash-batting which of course, is just fine. The probiem is when other people notice what's going on.

Not so long ago I sat quietly at subtle and so clever that you lated, even at the times I

choose. a table while two men I know attempt to gain victory in an argument I can recall thinking to myself that this was not how I would have gone about my own campaign: but my strategy would not have in cluded inquiring who had cut my opponent's hair.

I like to think I'd address the issue with calm and intelligence - and some degree of charm. The secret of charm, the real kind, is that you must not be able to spot it. and surely that is the problem with kitten woman, or at least in deciding very consciously to be her. This goes for men as well as women.

Charm in its best sense is genuine, a real desire to get the best from people - whatever the situation - because it is in everyone's best interests. Charm doesn't work when it's calculated. You can see it coming from over the river. In theory, the point about Most women go about KW (as we may perhaps call things differently from men. her) is that you can't it's so

a table while two men I know are just, oh, swept away by it shouted seven kinds of hell and before you know it your out of one another in an assets have been stripped and you have to sell the farm. And then - wouldn't you feel like an idiot? Mightn't KW's scented halo begin to fade? Now here's the thing: I

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Rejecting the stereotype of kitten woman doesn't mean turning into Aliens' Ripley. Think about plain Jane Eyre: a woman who got what she wanted (you might see her marriage to Mr Rochester as the only kind of merger and acquisition available to most women at the time) by speaking her mind. Jane wouldn't flatter or flutter, Jane told the truth. As for Blanche Ingram. where did all her kittenish skitterings get her? Right out the door, that's where. Jane may not think she's beautiful: but she is, her clear, unwavering character shining through

times when a smile will really

do the trick. But that's the way

human beings interact. That's

don't have any curls to toss. and I can't pretend that this her every action. isn't a decision quite as con-Clarity, not guile, is the more attractive trait. It's an scious as one to have a idea that runs through literapermanent wave. Every decision I make — every decision we all make — about how I cut ture - not just Jane, but Esther Summerson in Bleak House (one of Dickens's best my hair, what I wear, how I behave, is at some level calcuwomen, though he seems to have had a weakness for the

might fool myself it isn't. And kitten himself), to name just of course I know that there are one other — and popular culture too; how better to explain the appeal of an actor such as Jodie Foster?

> ten woman makes you happy, live long and prosper, may all your mergers be merry. But is the secret of the successful woman's life really to hide her ambitions in a whispery voice and a downcast eye? I don't think it has to be that way. If, at the end of our meeting, I have charmed you, I hope I have achieved it by showing you who I am, not who I think you would like me to. Then there is a far better chance that what we want to achieve - success in business, a particular goal, or, indeed, a love affair — will not only come to pass but continue to bear fruit for us both. I'll look you in the eye and tell you what I think. The thing about women is they're people.

> > ERICA WAGNER

### A shot in the arm for the body politic

Denis MacShane wants the State

to fund parties, not smother them

bould taxpayers pay for democracy? The ques-tion Sir Patrick Neill has to answer is not a new one. Pound by pound, decade by decade, the political process has got its hands on public money. To read Trollope, the only linkage between politics and money was whether or not the Duke of Omnium would buy a seat for one of his wife's favourites. We have moved on from the late 19th century.

MPs now have a middlerank professional salary. though even that is not sufficient for some Tory front-benchers. Allowances for MPs permit them to hire one-and-a-half members of staff at decent London salaries; but travel. telephone calls, constituency offices, computer and communications equipment all have to be juggled within tight limits. Ken Clarke had to find a £20 B&B at the Blackpool conference because he was paying from his own pocket.

Shadow Cabinet members now get financial assistance. Since Harold Wilson's day. the leaders of the two main Opposition parties get a car and driver. But the broader funding of parties was always rejected by the Conservatives. Their own occult sources of funding, including some dodgy overseas cash cows, allowed the Tories to outspend their rivals. Conservative MPs also loved jeering at Labour being in the pockets of the trade unions. They had a point. Until the Tony Blair era, the unions paid the vast majority of the party's bills. Labour's turn to business and the doubling of party membership and donations have reduced the trade union share of Labour's income, but the latter remains important.

William Hague's identification of sleaze - not the sexual variety but the corruption of public ethics by money and power - as the cancer to be rooted out if his party is to thinking on party political

There can be few who want to move to the American or Japanese system of permanent fundraising, because there are no limits on what political parties can spend on television advertising. The business of politics should be to strengthen democracy's power over money, not the reverse. Paradoxically, the millions of dollars that American political parties raise and spend do little to encourage political participation. An American President is lucky if one in four of his fellow citizens bothers to vote for him.

But do we want to go in the other direction — of political parties being given large cheques simply for existing, or for standing candidates in elections? Forms of state funding now exist in all European countries. In France and Italy the scandal of ministerial decisions being taken or contracts awarded in return for major donations to political parties destroyed political careers indeed, it destroyed the Italian

Christian Democrats. Can Britain find a third way between the corruptions of US political fundraising and the corporatism of European state funding? One mechanism would be to distinguish be-

tween the vote-winning business of politics and the policy or educational side of party activity. Parties could get help from the State under two headings. The first would be based on popular support the number of votes cast in elections — but could only be spent on education, training and policy development.

The second block of state cash should relate to the number of individual members that a party has, and be proportionate to the amount of money that a party raises through its grassroots activi-ties or by appealing for donations. All cash from outside sources should have a maximum limit and should be

publicly registered.
Some European nations have party-linked political foundations. A British version of these would provide the means for policy discussion and research. All parties, Goverriment and Opposition, badly need these to stay relevant and to break through the carapace of old thinking, such as left Labour stranded like a turtle on its back in the 1980s.

Training for candidates as well as for MPs, councillors and members of the new assemblies could be done professionally. Elected politicians, who take decisions which involve the spending of billions of pounds and which affect the lives of millions of people, also need to join the lifelong learn-

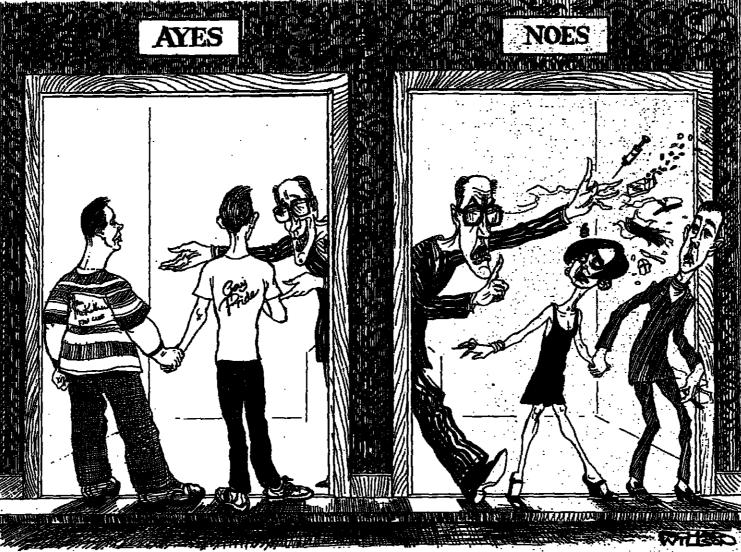
Policy discussion is not simply academic "wonking" but the lifeblood of the democratic process. It cannot be reduced to gladiatorial Left-Right contests at conference rostrums, nor to glitzy, pre-packaged speeches and headlines orchestrated by spin-doctors. By focusing state aid on the process of policy debate and development, as well as the training of candidates and party officials. British politics would free itself from the survive shows how fast Tory Taccusation of being beholden to special interests. Comgroups would still be free to

lobby, campaign, and seek to **T**his week I will have attended two party meetings in my constituency in Rotherham at which the Christmas raffle tickets were sold, tickets printed for the annual fundraising dinner, and plans laid to recruit new members. I don't want a state cheque to replace that. I

like partisan political campaigning and will raise money and recruit supporters. Nor do want money flowing exclusively to the central party machines, which can then control local political activity by withholding cash.

Fellow Labour MPs may say that I am mad to argue for a state funding system that puts a premium on the Conservative and Liberal Democrat parties being obliged to go out and recruit members, and having financial help to discuss policy. On the contrary, it places all the more onus on new Labour to out-recruit and out-think our opponents. It is part of the process of

The author is Labour MP for



# Westminster logjams

ooking in during Labour's Stonewall lobbying group's gay equality dance in the Metropole's big Empress ballroom. you might have suspected that heterosexual partygoers outnumbered gay ones. You would have been right. The straights turned out in force. Quite a few of the gays stayed away.

the event was the happening thing. The gays feared it might prove somewhat un-chic. Some thought it would turn into too much of a barn dance: a scrum in a hall with Twiglets, crisps and indifferent wine. Anyway, 10pm was far too early: nobody at the cutting edge goes to a dance which starts before midnight.

The straights, poor lambs, had heard

One could not but smile at the irony. Ben Bradshaw, the new MP for Exeter who is openly gay, announced his non-attendance in advance, his view (as I understand it) being that one doesn't need to make plonking statements about one's sexuality by appearances at totemic any more.

I see Ben's point, although the result was a huge and enthusiastic expression of solidarity, marred only by the failure of those with whom the solidarity was being expressed to turn up. Frankly, they were too busy. As so often, the poor old heterosexuals were one step behind.

But of course it was more important for them to be there. A progressive attitude towards homosexuality is now as obligatory an accourrement for the new Labour activist as a mobile phone. If this goes much farther, it may become necessary for me to become a homophobe.

I hate it when an attitude becomes chic Apart from an instinctive Bolshieness about any fashionable cause, I worry that once a bandwagon rolls, people join for the wrong reasons. The quality of debate suffers and dubious assumptions go unchallenged. The concept of "equality", for instance, has been most effective as a PR weapon in the fight for gay rights and is now tossed into the argument as if it were itself an argument. How can you be against equality? But we do not call for equality for drinkdrivers or wife-beaters. The case for the biamelessness of what we defend must be properly made before we can

talk of equality. I suspect, though, that my grumpiness about the gay bandwagon is a result of having been left in the dust myself by its acceleration. In the 1980s, perhaps at some slight cost to Gay rights took a decade to become

Commons sense; drugs will take longer

my own prospects, I attached myself to an argument considered by fellow Conservatives to be futile, self-destructive and silly. As parliamentary vice-presidents of the Conservative Group for Homosexual Equality, the late Martin Stevens and I campaigned for a modest measure of tolerance of homosexuality within our party, and for the Home Office to consider an eventual reduction of the age of consent to 18. I never really weighed the arguments for 16 as the age of consent, or for laws protecting gay partnerships, not because I thought them wrong but because they seemed ab-

Avant-garde in any party. It was a Labour whip, Walter Harrison, who aside in the Strangers' Bar at the Commons in the mid-

surdly avant-garde.

1980s and advised me to steer well clear of the issue if I wanted to be taken seriously. "Not in this century," we were told by uncensorious but worldly-wise party managers, "may-be not in our lifetimes,"

Well not, as it turned out, in Martin

Stevens's lifetime, Dear Martin died suddenly in 1986, his brave work largely unremarked. At the funeral in his constituency of Fulham, no speaker mentioned his work for the homosexual cause, although we were there among the congregation, we who had worked with him and whom he had so encouraged. At the memo-rial service for Allan Roberts (until his death in 1990, the Labour MP for

Bootle and a frontbencher), Allan's

homosexuality was never alluded to. Nowadays one reads articles, such as Sir Malcolm Rifkind's on this page on Tuesday, sounding a cautionary note on the Tories' "inclusive" approach to gays while allowing, almost as a throwaway line, that of course nobody advocates intolerance. Nobody? Maybe nobody does now. or not openly. But that is partly because of the work of people like Martin. I wonder if Malcolm would have agreed to be guest of honour at one of CGHE's annual dinners in the early 1980s - dinners at which we

always had such an embarrassing

struggle to get any Commons col-

league to come at all, let alone speak I have never sensed any hint of intolerance, personally, in Malcolm Rifkind, but those who warn against further change while allowing, with a shrug, that nobody but a fool takes exception to the status quo. should remind themselves how the status quo became the status quo, and ask themselves where they were when it wasn't. It is for this reason that I have so grateful a recollection of the support of people like Jim Prior, and later Robin Squire and John Bowis (both Tory ministers who lost their seats this May) and the courage of Labour's Chris

> reen Colquhoun (who did not). dishing young ti-gers of new Labour and inclusive Con-

servatism may find this to believe. Chris Smith, Michael Brown (the Tory MP who lost his seat in May) and I can remember a time when it was not fashionable to be gay. Angela Mason, who as director of Stonewall has led the group through one of the most successful campaigns in modern British lobbying history. might reflect that were it not for herself and her colleagues, politicians' attitudes which, less than half a decade ago, were regarded by every wise head as folly are now being called common sense even in The Daily Telegraph.

Why so large and apparently sudden a change? It was my experience on such issues at Westminster that when Parliament, on the one hand, and society, on the other, get seriously out of step, MPs' attitudes resemble the logs in those fabled Canadian logiams. The way the world beyond Westminster lives may have moved way outside the framework still enshrined by law, but MPs

do not seem to register the fact. There are, I think, two reasons for this. First, many MPs do not actually know how the world lives. Most of them watch little television. Some of the older generation of Tories. I found, honestly doubted whether they knew any homosexuals. Secondly, Tory MPs in particular (but working-class Labour MPs too) have populism, and populist views are vastly overrepresented among the party activists with whom, dispropor-tionately, they socialise. The noisy opinions of one taxi driver or one disgruntled ward chairman outshout, in an MP's ears, the quiet (sometimes silent) practice of thousands of their constituents whom

they hardly know. Thus an MP's position on (for instance) homosexuality gets stuck; and when three or four hundred together get stuck, then, like logs, the impression is of absolute rigidity. That many of these MPs feel less secure in their opinions than they tell each other is obscured. The consenapparently rigid.

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In 1980, homosexual law reform seemed to me a very hopeless cause. When in 1988 a number of us placed an advertisement in The Independent with 200 signatories from public life, opposing the draft Clause 28 then going through Parliament, we little thought our advocacy of "tolerance of the differences between people" would look, less than a decade later, so very unexceptionable.

When, in 1967, 100 prominent people signed that advertisement headed The law against marijuana is immoral in principle and unworkable in practice" in The Times, they probably did hope that, 30 years later, their opinion would seem unexceptionable. But this logiam remains jammed. If Keith Hellawell, perhaps from a change of mind or perhaps fearful lest his post as Tony Blair's "drugs cear" be snatched from him, finds it necessary to retreat from the more liberal views he expressed three years ago as a Chief Constable, we sense those logs are still piling up. Few MPs take drugs; many are gay: with drugs there are further degrees of separation between what MPs say

and what their constituents do. But the higher the logs pile and the harder they jam, the more sudden and surprising will be the final rush when the logjam frees. Another 30 years. I think, for marijuana: but that was my forecast for gay rights, nine years ago. Now we have been all but overtaken by the pace of change.

### Philip Howard



Human facelift, Ma'am? No: your own will do nicely A coording to Chris Thomas, our man in Delhi, the Queen is about to launch a more people-friendly monar-

thy when she returns from her state visits. A senior Palace source described the project to him as "monarchy with a hu-man face". This is an understandable reaction to the people's feely-flowery sentimental revolution after the death and sanctification of Diana, Princess of Wales. Though it does raise the question of what sort of face a monarch can wear other than a human one, pray. The last monarch to mingle freely with his people as an ordinary human being (or at any rate, as ordinary a human being as can be played by a bluff old admiral) was William IV. He was surprised to succeed to the celebrity it brought. His habit of strolling along the promenade at Brighton saying "What, what!" to all and sundry gave his courtiers kittens, and attracted a large train of all and sundry. So after William died, the royals gave up using the Royal Pavilion, and Victoria put back the regal mask on the face of royalty. Another monarch with a human face was Charles II, who developed a rapid walk and the all-purpose greeting of "God bless you, my good man, God bless you!" to get through the crowd of petitioners in St James's Park without giving

and royal minders were as peremptory as the Roman police.
That dripping cliche about the merits of having a human face rather than a regal or poker or clock face can be traced back to Alexander Dubček, when he said: "We followed a policy so that socialism would not lose its human face." It was given a spinby Ted Heath on the Lonrho affair: "It is the unpleasant and unacceptable, face of capital-ism." But the question of whether you, can find the mind's construction in the face goes back at least four centuries, to another Elizabeth with both a human and a professionally organised Faerie Queene face.

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crowds were more deferential

o the monarchy is to have a new, human face. New Labour is a hot-air balloon of nominal newness and no substance. The Conservatives are compassionate, liberal and desperate to be re-elected. All is suddenly renewed. So can we please have our Shakespeare back? Recently Shakespeare has been enlisted for all faces. Rightwingers such as Michael Portillo decode him as a Thatcherite nationalist of good old England by partial misreading of Henry V at Harfleur and Ulysses in Troilus and Cressida. Victor Hugo and anti-Establishment academics enlist him as a man of the people and subversive anti-imperialist with a human face. Deconstructionists say that we read whatever baggage we carry with us into Shakespeare. And in a small way, for once the deconstructionists have a point. The best book about Shake-

speare for a generation has just been published. It is The Genius of Shakespeare (in both primary senses of genius) by Jonathan Bate. It explains how Shakespeare has a human face that suits all characters and fantasies. For he was a working actor, a team player and a hack as well as becoming the international icon (in another two-faced Diana cliche for whom all the world was his stage. The plays. the characters, the sonnets, the words exist in ambiguity and many faces. You can have Prince Hall and Ulysses and Coriolarus for hierarchy in society. But do not forget jolly Jack Falstaff and the poor bleeding people and even Caliban, who gets the best lines in The Tengent The People and the poor bleeding people and even Caliban, who gets the best lines in The Tengent The People and the poor bleeding people and even Caliban, who gets the best lines in The Tengent The People and the p lines in The Tempest. We all fancy ourselves as Hamlet. Why is Macbeth more interesting than Duncan? Is Isabella in Measure for Measure a saint or a puritanical prig?

Like Heisenberg's uncertainty principle and Wittgenstein's word games, you can find whatever you want in Shakespeare only by watching, acting and reading him. Horace was another "genius" with many faces. Professor Bate says that Lope de Vega had the same universal face as Shakespeare. My Spanish is not good enough to know, but I must give him another go. The Queen is a war child, trained to keep a poker. face and never show emotions in public. Her face is both highly disciplined and Elizabethan, and human when off duty. She could and should not suddenly adopt a Lady Di face. But-Shakespeare had a human face for her and all of us.

### Raj charge

NO SOONER will they have dispatched the Queen from their angry shores than citizens of India will receive an even more colonial British export: 14 descendants of the great Viceroys of India are setting off on a tour of the former Raj. The trip, scheduled for the new year, will be led by the formidable Baroness Flather, who grew up in Lahore: "I've spent seven years at the House of Lords, and I found that there's so much

affection for India that I wondered, why not do something? " So do she did. Invitations were dispatched to some of the biggest



'I'm not going there again. They treated us like royalty"



ten-day jaunt in the country that their families ruled. Among those coming are the admirable Countess Mountbatten and her husband, Lord Brabourne, the Duke and Duchess of Wellington, Viscount and Viscountess Ridley and Lady Davina Darcy de Knayth (a de-

colonialist, Lord Clive). To charm the natives, the group will attend the Republic Day parade and the presidential reception in Delhi. Despite the embarrassingly anti-British tone of the celebrations and the viceroys' mixed reputations, the baroness expects a warm welcome: "I would not bring them if the Indian Government was uncomfortable. These are delightful people - we do not want to recreate the Raj."

• IN one evening, an intruder broke into Buckingham Palace. Clarence House and the home of Lord and Lady Soames. The culprit is black and is known to



prowl around the Stafford Hotel. St James's. His name? Lucky, a cat. "The Palace called saying it had our cat," said the hotel. "They wanted to know what to do. We asked them to leave it in Green Park -- he can find his way home from there," An hour on, and a



Norris and Wilkinson

similar call from Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother's home. Again. Lucky was left in the park. The following morning, a call came from Belgravia. Lady Soames here, got your cat — where do you want it." This time, the Stafford sent its chauffeur for the nocturnal roamer plus a bottle of champagne for Lady S.

Case history

I BET he eats Ferrero Rocher. David Clark, the minister responsible for open government, who was ticked off for failing to declare an agreeable Swiss sojourn, has been pandering to his expensive tastes again. Last week saw him bound for New Zealand to reearch freedom of information.

While four underlings roughed it in steerage, Clark stretched out in first-class. Sadly, he overestimated the service. The flight took them via Los Angeles, where Clark assumed his luggage would be transferred. It wasn't. Even firstclassers, he learnt, should handle their own Louis Vuitton cases. Clark's stayed, leaving him. in unfamiliar pose, shuffling round Auckland in crumpled garb.

 SHREWSBURY is to record its school song in Maori. This follows a rendition by Michael Palin, an

old boy who sang it in Latin to New Zealand natives while filming. A recording will be sent to Christchurch. Problem: finding a Maori speaker in Shrewsbury.

### Naked truth

STEVEN NORRIS'S greatest contribution to public life was his in-ability to keep his trousers up. How appropriate then that he should be mistaken for a stripper in The Full Monty.

To the former Transport Minister's chagrin, his double is Tom Wilkinson, who plays the profes-sional disrober Gerald and has an unenviable weakness for garden gnomes. "Having viewed The Full Monty routine," says a Norris associate, he is confident there is positive proof that he and Mr Wilkinson are in no way related." What proof I wonder?

### Rock bottom

POP music is to reverberate around our military bases in a desperate attempt by the Ministry of Defence to raise money. George Robertson, Defence Secretary, has hit upon the plan after Gordon Brown's raid on his coffers. First on will be the Verve, psy-chedelic rockers currently No 1 in



Battle cry: the Verve

the album charts. They are negotiating with the Ministry for permission to use defunct airfields and dry docks for a tour, "I am not too familiar with their music," admits Robertson. This happy situation is about to end. Alasdair McGowan, his special adviser, has a weakness for the group so a copy of its latest work. Urban Hymns, is winging its way into the minister's red box. But as Roberston may contend, anything to raise money.

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### THE WRONG SPIN

Do not throw the briefers out with the bathwater

Putting the Government's policies in the best also for the good of the Government. light is one thing, putting the previous Government's policies in the worst light is another. Departmental heads of information are leaving their posts in droves, partly as a reaction to the new administration's attitude to media management. The early enthusiasm for a change in government has turned markedly sour.

The latest to go is Jonathan Haslam, formerly John Major's press secretary but, since the election, chief information officer at the Department for Education and Employment. His departure for a job in the City was hastened by a disagreement with Stephen Byers, Minister for School Standards: Mr. Byers asked him to draft a press release criticising the Conservative Government's education policy. Mr Haslam refused, rightly insisting that this was a party matter.

Government press officers are certainly ripe for modernisation. When Labour ministers came to power, they were shocked by how plodding many of their spokesmen were. The tools of modern communication, such as the pager, the mobile phone and even the home number for evenings and weekends, seemed virtually unknown in Whitehall. They clearly had things to learn from their new masters, and Alistair Campbell, Tony Blair's highly political press secretary, set out to train them.

Some were not going to change; they have been dropped down the Whitehall plug-hole. But to lose someone of the calibre of Mr Haslam smacks of carelessness. He might have left anyway, since no other Whitehall job would match his previous one at the side of the Prime Minister. But he is clearly disillusioned too; and his malaise springs not from Luddism but from principle. The principle that he has upheld - the independence and integrity of the Civil Service — is

Political partisans often find it hard to understand the concept of neutrality - or even the concept that there is more than one way to see a speech, interpret a report or analyse a set of events. If people are not with them, then they are seen as against them.

Some new ministers have been keeping their press officers poorly informed, preferring to use their politically appointed special advisers to brief journalists. In turn, reporters have been using these advisers more because the official press officers are often not fully apprised of what their ministers are doing or planning.

Ministers may think that they are better served by politicised spokesmen, but their partisan approach may soon begin to back-fire on the Government. Journalists understand the subtleties of media manipulation and can gradate the degrees of truth they encounter from the system. When a senior political adviser admits in a television programme to lying to journalists, he debases the coinage of his trade and risks the charge that every word is counterfeit. Chief information officers have at least traditionally been trusted not to lie; and if Downing Street instructs them to deny stories that are true but inconvenient, this will diminish their credibility. Trust is hard earned, and

The effectiveness of "spinning" is heavily correlated with the perceived success and competence of a government. In the dying days of the last administration, no amount of spin could turn a bad story into a good one. This Government, still widely applauded, has a generally high credibility. But when times are hard, as undoubtedly they will be at some point in the coming five years, ministers may rue relying too heavily on their political servants. The credibility of vital, not just for the good of the country but their officials will then be at a premium.

### THE COLOUR OF MONEY

Disclosure should be the key principle in party finance

Money may make the world go round but its. effect on British politics is less predictable. Tony Blair yesterday announced that the Government would introduce legislation to ban foreign donations to political parties and compel contributions over £5,000 to be made public. He also revealed that Sir Patrick Neill would succeed Lord Nolan as chairman of the Committee on Standards in Public life. That body will now examine all aspects of party political finance. Sir Patrick is a man of independence and integrity. He would be wise to consider the limits as well as the attractions of more sweeping reform.

To some extent the committee is being asked to investigate an area where the sources of greatest contention have already passed. The capacity of the Conservatives to accept substantial sums from overseas supporters substantially diminished once Hong Kong returned to China. The extreme disparity in the resources of the two main parties - sharply evident in the early 1980s - has already been eliminated. The Tories, not Labour, are deep in the red. That transformation illustrates an extremely important factor. Money in British politics follows success: it does not create it.

This country already operates a restrictive party finance regime. Expenditure at the constituency level is exceptionally modest. Access to television advertising beyond party election broadcasts is impossible - and properly so. As a consequence our elections are relatively inexpensive and in real terms their level has been broadly stable. There is little evidence that massive spending has any impact on the final parliamentary outcome. If it did then John Major and the Conservatives would probably still be in office. The Referendum Party might well be the official Opposition.

That does not mean that there is no room

for improvement. Mr Blair has emphasised the importance of transparency. Over the past 20 years, not least because of Margaret Thatcher, the climate of opinion has swung strongly against self-regulation. Almost all the professions have been forced to adjust to this new era of external scrutiny. Somewhat reluctantly, MPs were obliged to acknowledge this shift after the first Nolan committee report. Political parties must move in the same, more open, direction. For that reason the two proposals outlined by the Prime Minister deserve cross-party support.

The Neill committee should resist, however, those who will demand a more extensive set of regulations. There are only two difficulties with capping the total amounts spent by parties during election campaigns: principle and practice. It is objectionable in principle to restrict artificially the sums that parties may spend and hence that individuals can subscribe. It will also be entirely impractical to do so. If potential donors cannot support their chosen parties directly they will find other means of achieving the same end. The recent history of American political finance illustrates that truth.

Indeed, the most tragic element of the American melodrama is that the drive to avoid spending limits has undermined the openness that had once been so effective. Britain should avoid the same fate. The public interest is best served by strict disclosure that allows outsiders to compare funds received with favours dispensed. That is real accountability. There might also be a case for tax incentives to encourage the mass membership drives that Labour under Mr Blair has started and the Tories must now follow. The dependence of both main parties on sectional interests should be discouraged. But the best solution is enhanced participation, not unenforceable regulation.

### **MOTHERS IN LAW**

The serpent's tooth and the lawsuit of a child

Patrick Macdonald, a law student at Aberdeen University, has been granted legal aid to sue his mother for the living expenses required to complete his degree. Others are already following his example. Mr Macdonald's mother is a Scottish Office civil servant whose two eldest daughters are supporting themselves at university and whose other two children are being privately educated at her expense. Her son chose, after his mother's divorce, to live with his bankrupt father. It may be that Mrs Macdonald could find from within her £45,000 salary the resources to support the son who is unhappy lying on the bed he made. That should, however, be a matter for her conscience and not the courts. .

That a son should sue his mother in this way is more than just an offence to filial plety, it is a grotesque misuse of the legal system. Mr Macdonald is within his rights, under the Scottish Family Law Act of 1985 but that does not make his actions right. He protests that he has to go to law because he does not wish to go into debt. A proper horror of indebtedness is a decent Scots prejudice but when it leads a man to use the blunt instrument of a writ to bludgeon money from his mother it becomes not proper prudence but ugly selfishness. What makes Mr Macdonald's meanness of spirit worse is the automatic presumption on his part that someone else should pay for his salad days. How much sharper than a

serpent's tooth is the lawsuit of an ungrateful child.

The party is over for students who expected to be subsidised throughout four years of undergraduate existence only to move on to employment much more lucrative than those of their contemporaries who started paying income tax as soon as they left school. The Government's proposed reform of higher education will, rightly, force all but the very poorest students to contribute something to the costs of an education which boosts their future earning potential. If individuals wish to cash in on the benefits of a university education, and few study law as a prelude to missionary work, then they must be prepared to borrow

for their investment. Parents, if they can, may wish to support their children at university. Those who have the resources to do so, and choose not to, should certainly be thought the less of. Affection should not diminish with the end of adolescence. But enforced responsibility. should. Parents should not be expected in law to indulge their adult offspring any more than grown-up children should be forced in law to turn up for Christmas lunch. The greatest absurdity, however, is having the taxpayer foot the bill for an act which is destructive of any affection on which a family must depend and which will see the law swallow money which was supposed to be saved from the universities.

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#### Patent protection in genetic research

From the Chairman of the • Association of Medical Research Charities and others

Sir, On October 17 the UK Patent Office holds a consultative meeting over the proposed European Biotechnolo-Patenting Directive, which the European Parliament overwhelming-ly endorsed in July after more than eight years of vigorous debate. The directive seeks to harmonise existing patent law in Europe with reference to biotechnological inventions. It is absolutely right to ensure that

every group and individual has the opportunity to make their views known - and in the course of the debate thus far all the interested parties have put forward their views and been heard. The text accepted by the European Parliament in July (by a vote of 388 to 110) had been significantly improved since its reading in 1995: patents will not be granted for human cloning or human embryo experiments; there is provision for an ethics committee; and further protection is given to animal welfare and the rights of indigenous peoples.

The new Government, and in par-ticular the Science Minister, John Battle, made their support for the directive clear both before and after the British election. We fully endorse their position. All those engaged in medical research -- charities, government and industry -- believe that genetic re-search should benefit patients as quickly as possible. Patents help to

Without Britain's support biotechnology research will be at risk. If Britain's biotechnology industry (currently the world's second largest after the US and set to generate £9 billion in revenue by the year 2000) falters or fails, the time horizon will extend considerably for understanding and developing new treatments for dis-eases such as schizophrenia, Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, cancer, diabetes and osteoporosis.

If we strip away the patentability which existing law allows biotechno-logical invention, we will see research funding slowly disappear or remove itself to the US and Japan where scientific innovation will continue to be supported. If that happens, not only will Britain and Europe lose money and jobs, but the world will find that the chances of discovering new ways of diagnosing, preventing and treating life-threatening illnesses will be severely limited.

Approval of the biotechnology directive is a vital step in securing a betain and the 14 other EU member states to move rapidly and adopt it.

Yours faithfully,

FERGUS LOGAN.

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### Sound investment

29-35 Faringdon Road, EC1.

From Mr David H. Walton

October 16.

Sir, Congratulations to Mr Richard Noble and his dedicated crew in being the first to exceed Mach I on the ground (report, October 14). However, I find it chastening to conclude, from remarks he made in a recent radio interview, that these people may have received more assistance from King Hussein and the people of Jordan. who provided them with a test track, than they did from the City of London. I am surprised that we have any engineering industry left at all.

Yours faithfully, DAVID H. WALTON, 10 St Guthlac's Close, Crowland, Peterborough, Cambridgeshire. October 14.

### Britannia decision

From Lord Ashbourne

Sir, Final confirmation from the MoD of its decision to decommission HMY Britannia, with no provision for her replacement (report, October II), is both short-sighted and ill-judged.

According to the ministry's own plans for a new Royal Yacht, she

would cost a maximum of £64 million to build — slightly less than the weekly cost of our membership of the European Union which, according to the Office for National Statistics, is £66 million.

Yours faithfully, **ASHBOURNE** (Chairman, All Party Yacht Parliamentary Group). House of Lords. October 13.

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#### Memorial garden in a modern spirit gardens in the Dutch and French

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

From Mr Charles Jencks

Sir. The idea of a memorial garden for Diana, Princess of Wales, is very fitting (Weekend, October 11): as the saying goes "take your grief to nature". and the banal landscape in front of Kensington Palace asks for some imaginative scheme. However, an 18thcentury Dutch replica is not appropriate at all.

I agree with John Dixon Hunt, Pro-fessor of Landscape Architecture at the University of Pennsylvania, that a compenition should be called for a contemporary creation which engages the public, as Diana did. A revival, based on Hauduroy's 1708 aerial sketch, would not only be too flat and low in elevation, but also would not provide the variety of open spaces and mys-tery which are needed in a memorial garden.

Some contemporary works of art, some dramatic celebration of nature - water gardens, level changes, kinetic sculpture - would feel constrained and lonely in the centre of Hauduroy's flat parterres. Above all, this design does not have those private, contemplative and sometimes wild spaces which are essential to thoughtful re-

CHARLES JENCKS. 19 Lansdowne Walk, WII. October 13.

From Mr Richard Weston, FRSA, RIBA

Sir, In the 18th century, disdain for the formality and "princely pomp" of

### the English landscape garden, imitated around the world, gave form to a new political as much as aesthetic

styles was the catalyst for our most

radical contribution to the visual arts:

After years of marginalisation, landscape design is alive with new ideas. A contemporary garden in memory of Diana would be a litting tribute to her modernity and an emblem of the Government's commitment to promoting creativity as a defining feature of a "new Britain".

Yours faithfully, RICHARD WESTON (Landscape architect). Radiant World, 57 Lamborne Road, Leicester. October 12.

#### From Mr Peter King

Sir. The proposal to recreate the hisshould be supported as, alack, there is no contemporary designer who has a background of work on such a grand scale. However, its execution should perhaps be given to the team which completed the highly-praised Privy Garden at Hampton Court, rather than leaving it in the hands of the Royal Parks Agency.

Yours faithfully, PETER KING (Editor, The Good Gardens Guide). Nicholas Corner, Sibford Gower, Banbury, Oxfordshire. October 15.

World Wide Fund for Nature to

Stenton, Dunbar, East Lothian.

Sir, During his 20-year ownership of the estate, from the mid-1960s to the

mid-1980s, the late Lord Dulverton

made enormous efforts to reafforest

Glenfeshie, putting in numerous plantations and shelter-belts. It is true

that most of the trees were exotic spe-

cies, like sitka spruce and lodgepole

pine, but he also got estate staff to col-lect seed from old Scots pines and to

create a new plantation of the very

species which constituted the ancient

The fact that the estate is now on the

market for the third time in a few

years reflects the great difficulty of

managing a property in which outside

environmental organisations have a

say. In the words of a local stalker, the

present owners are selling "because of the hassle caused by Scottish Natural

Heritage and numerous other

Owlpen Farm, Uley, Gloucestershire.

pumped-up bodies round about".

From Mr Duff Hart-Davis

Yours sincerely,

HEW BALFOUR,

Caledonian forest.

Ruchlaw House,

### Highland forestry

From Mr Hew Balfour

Sir, As a tenant on the Glenfeshie estate in the Cairngorms I cannot agree with the suggestion by the World Wide Fund for Nature, Scotland, that the conservation of forests is incompatible with private ownership and sporting interests (report, Octo-

Since there have been no sheep on Glenfeshie since the mid-1960s, overgrazing by sheep cannot be responsible for the destruction of the forest in the last 30 years as the WWF asserts. And the claim by a representative of the WWF that he "could not find a tree under 150 years old" is equally curious: there are many thousands of trees in Glenfeshie, all under 30 years old, planted in blocks and temporarily fenced off to prevent

Public ownership and the elimina-tion of sporting interests would do nothing for the native wildlife population, since it would be likely to remove the jobs of the gamekeepers and stalkers who are the natural guardians of those populations.

Any suggestion that the elimination of deer would help to regenerate the Caledonian pine would be impossible to fulfil, since deer are migratory. It would also be a curious policy for the

DUFF HART-DAVIS,

Yours sincerely,

#### Languages in schools From Mrs Hazel Burr

Sir, I wholeheartedly agree with Richard Branson's sentiments about ending the supremacy of Prench as the second language taught in schools (letters, October 8, 14).

My daughter is fortunate to attend an enlightened local girls' non-selective school where three languages -Spanish, French and German — are offered to both GCSE and A level. However, we are now dismayed to

find that several top universities, including York and Warwick, do not offer Spanish to degree level.

The world has certainly grown

smaller, but unfortunately many of our young people will not be able to make themselves understood in a large part of it (unless they shout loudly in English, of course).

Yours sincerely, HAZEL BURR, 49 Homersham Road. Kingston upon Thames, Surrey. October 14.

From Mrs Jelena Radoniic Sir, In the international recruitment

marketplace any young engineer or economist is expected to have two or more languages in addition to their technical training or business qualifi-

Right now, the hottest language is Japanese. Indeed, there is something of a gold rush on for Japanese speakers, as European and US banks gear up for the deregulation of the apanese banking sector.

My advice on the best language for young people to study now is simple: Mandarin. Sooner than we think, Western companies are going to need a lot of young professionals who speak Mandarin and understand Chinese culture. But I don't think they will find too many of them here in

Yours sincerely, JELENA RADONJIC (Associate Managing Director), The International Career Forum, DICR Europe Ltd. 125 New Bond Street, WI. October 14.

### Mixed doubles

From Mr Geoffrey H. Lloyd

Sir, Your correspondent Paul Foster (letter, October 14) and his colleagues in the local tennis club appear to have got themselves into an unnecessary dilemma when the solution was obvious. Did they not consider the option to abandon the discount for married couples?

Presumably individual husbands and wives use the courts no less intensively than others in different relationships. And they may or may not love each other. What is the economic and moral justification for the concession?

Yours sincerely GEOFFREY H. LLOYD. Longacre, 73 High Street, Little Wilbraham, Cambridge. October 15.

From Dr John Burscough

Sir, I suspect that few tennis clubs could organise a mixed doubles tournament if only partners who loved each other were allowed to play.

Yours faithfully, JOHN BURSCOUGH. Woodland View, Melton Road, Wrawby, Brigg, North Lincolnshire.

### An Ulster head

From Mr Jeffrey Dudgeon

Sir, I found it impossible to recognise the description of Campbell College, Belfast, in Stuart Peebles's letter (October 14), in revisionist praise of its headmaster, John Cook (obituary, October 2). I too was a pupil in the early Sixties, for five grim years, and recall speaking only once to Mr Cook

Throughout those years a system of terror and punishment operated in the form of beatings inflicted by other boys. The teachers were freed from the task of enforcing discipline by these kapos, and tended as a consequence to indolence and cynicism.

The unadulterated snootiness of the school and its distance from all things local created a class of boys who could only see themselves as little Englanders, trapped in a 1920s timewarp. and incapable of modernising the Belfast Establishment from which

Yours sincerely.
JEFFREY DUDGEON, 56 Mount Prospect Park, Beliast. October 15.

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#### Many good tunes on new fiddles

From Lord Menuhin, OM

Sir. While I have been in Beijing conducting the excellent National Orchestra, my wife, Diana, who gleans The Times to keep me the better informed when I am away, reports a lively discussion on the matter of funding for good intruments for orchestral string players (report, October 13).

Great instruments of the 18th and even 19th centuries are admittedly beyond the reach of almost any string player. Partly owing to their astrono-mical prices there is a growing number of excellent, first-class violinmakers today, in England as elsewhere, who make a fair living on selling some ten violins a year at say £6,000-£8,000 each. I myself use a Glen Collins - but there are also others, some from the Newark Technical College.

It may surprise some orchestral musicians that among the fabled sumptuous-toned strings of the Philadelphia Orchestra there are some twenty violins from Sergio Peresson –

a local maker near Philadelphia.

I have recorded the Brahms viola sonatas on a David Wiebe, and have given my school a cello and a viola by this excellent maker in Nebraska.

I would strongly urge donors or sponsors who would further these two arts in tandem — violin-making and violin-playing — to collect first-rate contemporary instruments and make them easily available, lending or on instalment purchase without interest. to such players as cannot afford a

Sincerely, YEHUDI MENUHIN, As from, SYM Music Company, PO Box 6160, London SWIW 0XJ.

#### Brum culture

From Mr Stephen Wildman

Sir, While it is true that many famous Brummies, from Burne-Jones to Tony Hancock, left their native city for good to prosper in the capital (letters, October 8, 13), there is a notable exception in the painter David Cox (1783-1859). who returned from London to spend the last 18 years of his life in the then rural outskirts: Ha corne

Cox certainly achieved national recognition, and was rightly praised on his death by one leading magazine (The Art Journal) as having possessed a genius as original as that of Turner". This was all the more remarkable in that he did indeed emanate from the heart of industrial Birmingham, having been born in Heath Mill Lane, Deritend, where his blacksmith father Joseph had a forge: a breeding ground for one romantic at least.

Yours faithfully. STEPHEN WILDMAN (Curator), Ruskin Library, Lancaster University. Lancaster LAI 4YH. s.wildman@lancaster.ac.uk October 13.

From Mr Jim Platts

Sir, The 1828 Charter of the Institution of Civil Engineers (the oldest professional engineering institution in the world) defines engineering as "the art of directing the great sources of power in nature for the use and convenience

Engineering uses science and em-bodies an ethic, but it is an art — and Birmingham has many world-renowned exponents of that art. Wilf Morgan (letter, October 8) can lift his Brummie head with pride.

Yours faithfully, JIM PLATTS, Manufacturing Engineering Group, Cambridge University, Mill Lane, Cambridge. тjp@eng.cam\_ac.uk

### Not out

From Mr Mike Johnson

Sir, Mr Trevor Davies (letter, October 7; see also letter, October 11) is not the only one to have had a bizarre experience with an answerphone. I recently called someone on their car telephone, to be answered by a machine. The message was "I'm sorry, I'm at home at the moment, but if you leave a message 111 call you as soon as 1 go out."

Yours faithfully, MIKE JOHNSON. 43 Melrose Avenue, Wimbledon Park, SW19. mikejohnson@btinternet.com October II.

### Rowse remembered

From the Reverend David Copley

Sir, My brother-in-law once told me of a snippet of conversation he heard when he was passing two men talking to each other in Oxford. But of course the later history of Sparta ... " were

the magic words. With that in mind I thought I would pick up a wise word or two when one day in Oxford in the late 1940s I saw A. L. Rowse (obituary: October 6) deep in conversation with a companion coming towards me. As they passed I heard Rowse say: "Yes, my braces are always getting in a twist too."

Yours faithfully, DAVID COPLEY. 220 Bromsgrove Road, Hunnington. Halesowen, West Midlands.

October 12.

Birthdays

today

Mr Colin Bailey, Chief Constable, Nottinghamshire, 54: Mr Harry

Carpenter, sports commentator 72; Sir Sydney Chapman, MP, 62; Mr Jonathan Charkham, former

adviser to the Governor of the

Bank of England, 67: Dr Alexander Cooke, physician, 98; the Earl of Dalhousie, KT, 83; Mr Shaun

cil, 60, Mr Victor Serebriakoff, honorary president. Mensa Inter-national, 85; Mr B.D. Taylor, former chief executive. Glazo

The Lord Chancellor attended dinner given by Lord Nicholls of Birkenhead, Treasurer of the Mid-

dle Temple, and the Masters of the

Bench last night in hall, it being Grand Day of Michaelmas Term.

Grand Day of Michaelmas Term.
Among others present were:
Viscount Rothermere, Lord Lane, Lord
Browne-Wilstman, Lord Cooke of
Thorndon, Lady Micholis, Sir Stephen
Brown, Sir Etchard Sons, Lord Jostice
Brown, Cressover, Inne, Lord Temple,
Bligsins, Fab, OC, Sir Maurice Drube
Hillselns, Fab, OC, Sir Maurice Drube
Horstoner, Lincolors Jan, Art. Chief
Marshal, Sir John Alless, Sir John
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William Malles, Lanned Joseph Roblinston,
Smith and Brigadler C T J Wright (under
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The Lord Mayor entertained

representatives from commerce and industry, city institutions and

business, public services and the media and their escorts at the City

banquet held last night at the Mansion House. The Lord Mayor,

Mr Nicholas Durlacher, Chair-

man of the Securities and Futures

Authority, and Ms Rita Clifton, Vice Chairman and Executive Planning Director of Saatchi &

Saatchi Advertising, were the

Members of the Court of Alder-mem, the Chief Court of Court men, the Chief Court of Court Members of the Court of Court Council attended. During the evening the Lord Mayor presented the

Holdings, 62

Dinners

Lord Mayor

speakers.

the community, to:

The Anchorites

Programme. Special Certificate: John Laing.

Field Marshal Lord Bramall, KG.

Lord-Lieutenant of Greater London, was the principal guest at

the monthly dinner of the Anchorites held last night at the

Middle Temple :



### COURT CIRCULAR

TAJ COROMANDEL HOTEL

CHENNAI The Queen this morning visited MGR Film City. Chemnai, watched a film shooting and met representatives of the film industry. Her Majesty afterwards visited the Kalakshetra Foundation. Thirtwanmiyur, and viewed dancing instruc-tion and handicrafts and a short

classical Indian dancing recital.
The Queen later attended a Luncheon at Fisherman's Cove. Her Majesty this afternoon visted

The Queen afterwards laid a Wreath at the Rajiv Gandhi Memorial.

Her Maiesty this evening attended Her Majesty this evening attended a Dinner given by the Governor of Tamil Nadu [Justice M. Fathima Beevil at the Taj Coromandel Hotel. The Duke of Edinburgh this morning visited Western Naval Command, Mumbai (Bombay).

His Royal Highness afterwards closed the British Business Seminar

on board HMS Westminster and on Dearu Fundament attended a Reception.

The Duke of Edinburgh this afternoon flew to Dundigal and visited the Indian Air Force Academy.

His Royal Highness afterwards visited Gogillapur Primary Schoool. Andhra Pradesh. The Duke of Edinburgh later called

the Duke of Edinourgh later called upon Shri Chandrababu Naidu (Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh) at Jubilec Hall, Hyderabad. His Royal Highness subsequently affended a Reception at Jubilec Hall. His Excellency Mr Andrija Kojakovic was received in audience by The Prince of Wales and The Duke of York, Counsellors of State acting

on behalf of The Queen, and pre-sented the Letters of Recall of his predecessor and his own Letters of Credence as Ambassador from the Republic of Cruatia to the Court of St

Mrs Kejakovic was also received by Their Royal Highnesses. Sir John Coles (Permanent Under-Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs) was pr The Queen was represented by Mr James Cropper (Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Cumbria) at the Service

of Thanksgiving for the Life oif Major
Sir Charles Graham. Bt. (formerly
Her Majesty's Lord-Lleutenant of
Cumbrial which was held in Carlisle
Cathedral this afternoon.
The Duke of Edinburgh was

represented by the Earl of Lonsdale.

The Princess Royal was represented by Mr Joseph Harris.

Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester and the Duke and Duchess of Gloucester were represented by Dame Jean Maxwell-Scott. The Duke of Kent was represented

hy Colonel Thomas Fitzalan Howard. BUCKINGHAM PALACE October 16: The Duke of York, Parron, this evening attended a Piarro Recital and Reception in aid of the Commonwealth Society for the Deaf at St James's Palace.

Royal Navy Club of 1765 and 1785

The Princess Royal was the prin-

cipal guest at a dinner of the Roval

Navy Club of 1765 and 1785 held

last night at Lincoln's inn to mark

the 200th anniversary of the Battle

of Camperdown. Admiral Sir Jock

Field Marshal Lord Vincent of

Coleshill, Master Gunner, St.

James's Park, presided at the

Royal Artillery Alamein dinner held last night in Woolwich.

need lass night in woodwich.

Among those present were:

The High Commissioner for Canada and

Min MacLaren. Sir Brian and Lady

Moffat Mr Holland, Commander and

Min J M C Maughan. Vice-Admiral and

Min J M C Maughan. Vice-Admiral and

Min Marana Ray. Mr Bed Mr E J

Pairson, Mr and Mrs Nick Raymaford, Mr

and Mrs lan Robertson and Major
General and Mrs Philip Trousdell.

Major-General Jack Deverell pre-

sided at the annual dinner of The Light Infantry Club held last night

at the Cavairy and Guards Club

Royal Fusiliers Officers' Club

Major-General B.C. Webster, Chairman of the Royal Fusiliers

Officers' Club, presided at the annual dinner held last night at

Slater, First Sea Lord, presided.

Royal Artillery

The Light Infantry

**BUCKINGHAM PALACE** October 16: The Princess Royal. Patron, British Executive Service

Overseas, this moraing attended the Annual General Meeting and Annual Review Meeting at the Institute of Directors, Pall Mall, London, SWI...

Directors, Pall Mail, London, SWI... Her Royal Highness this afternoon opened the new headquarters building for the Committee of Vice-Chancellors and Principals at Woburn House, Tavistock Square, London WCI.

The Princess Royal, President, Save the Children Fund, later arrended the Industry and Commerce Group Meeting followed by a Corporate Members Reception at Buckingham Palace.
Her Royal Highness, accompanied by Caprain Timothy Laurence RN, this evening attended a Dimer in commemorate the Battle of Camperdown, held by the Royal

Camperdown, held by the Royal Navy Club of 1768 and 1785, in the Great Hall, Lincoln's Inn. London, WCZ.

KENSINGTON PALACE October Io: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, President, was countess of showdon, rrestdent, was present today at the Annual Council Meeting of the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children at the Society's Training Centre, Gilmour Close, Beaumont Leys, Leicester, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Leicestershire (Mr Timothy Brooks).

KENSINGTON PALACE October 16: The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester today departed Royal Air Force Northolt to carry out engage-ments in the Gulf States of Bahram. Cutar and the United Arab Emirate Sir Roger Hervey (Special Representative of the Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs) was present and took leave of Their Royal Highnesses.

Miss Suzanne Marland is in attendance.

dance.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE RICHMOND PARK October 16: Princess Alexandra accompanied by the Rt Hon Sin Angus Ogitvy, today began a visit to Phoenix, Arizona, United States of America, in connection with the IIK/A7 Festival

UNIAZ Festival.

Her Royal Highness and Sir Angus
Ogilvy this morning visited APs
Gournet Market and subsequently
attended a Reception given by the
Mayor of Phoenix at Arizona Center Princess Alexandra and the Rt Hon

Sir Angus Ogilvy this afternoon visited stores in Scottsdale and later artended the opening Reception for the Henry Moore Exhibition at the Joy Tash Gallery, North Marshall Way.
Her Royal Highness and Sir Angus
Ogilvy this evening anended a
Swingle Singers Concert and Reception at the Scottsdale Center for the

The Lady Mary Mumford is in

Royal engagement

The Princess Royal, as Colonel-in-Chief, the Royal Logistic Corps, will visir Vauxhall Barracks. Dideot, Oxfordshire at 10.00.

Adjutant General's Corps

The officers of the Adjutant General's Corps dined last night in

their Headquarter Mess at Worthy

Down, Major-General Richard

Oliver, OBE, Assistant Colonel

Commandant, presided. Mrs

Lindsay Fox, JP, High Sheriff of

Hampshire, General Sir Alex

Harley, KBE. CB, Adjutant

General, Mr Keith Simpson, MP.

and Lieutenant-Colonel James

Athill, RGJ, were among the

guests, as were a number of

into the Coros.

Company of

Secretaries and

**Administrators** 

The following have been installed

officers of the Company of Char-tered Secretaries and Admin-

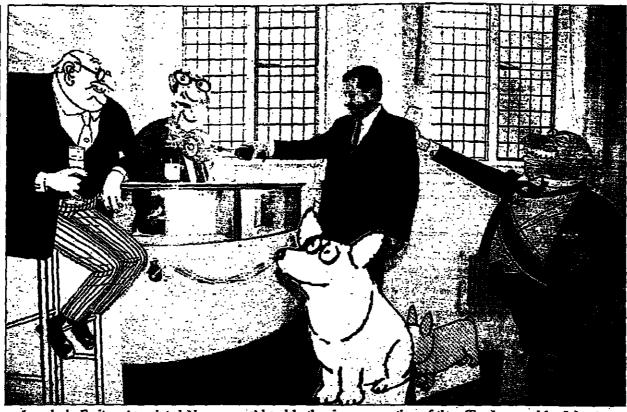
Master, Rear-Admiral James Carine: Senior Warden, Group Caprain John H. Constable: Junior Warden, Mr Wilfred C.

istrators for the ensuing year.

Chartered

officers recently commissioned

Service dinners



Joseph de Freitas, Associated Newspapers' head butler, in a re-creation of the office har used by Jak, at a reception at St Bride's Church, Fleet Street, after a memorial service for the cartoonist there yesterday.

Sir Charles Graham

The Queen was represented by Mr James Cropper, Lord-Lieutenant of Cumbria, and the Duke of Edinburgh by the Earl of Lonsdale at a

Duke of Edinburgh by the Earl of Loristale at a service of thanksgiving for the life of Sir Charles Graham. former Lord-Lieutenant of Cumbria, held yesterday in Carlisle Cathedral.

The Princess Royal was represented by Mr Joseph Harris. Vice Lord-Lieutenant of Cumbria, Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester and the Duke and Duchess of Gloucester by Dame Jean Maxwell-Scott and the Duke of Kent by Colonel Thomas Fitzalan Howard.

The Dean of Carlisle officiated, assisted by the

Colonel Thornas Fitzalan Howard.

The Dean of Carlisle officiated, assisted by the Right Rev Lord Runcic, who led the prayers. Sir James Graham, son, read the lesson and Mr Malise Graham, son, read Influences by Albert Schweitzer. Miss Arabella Graham, grand-daughter, read The Ship by Bishop Brent.

The Right Rev H.D. Halsey gave an address and the Bishop of Carlisle pronounced the blessing.

The Lord-Lieutenants of Berwickshire, Dumlries, Esset, Greater Manchester and Lancashire attended and the Lord-Lieutenants of Northumber-land. Tyme & Wear and North Yorkshire were

land, Tyne & Wear and North Yorkshire were represented.

The High Sheriff of Cumbria and Mrs FryerSpedding, the Mayor and Mayoress of Carlisle and
representatives of other authorities in Cumbria

Spedding, the Mayor and Mayoress of Carlisle and representatives of other authorities in Cumbria attended, Among others present were: Susan Lady Graham (widow), Miss Susanna Graham idaughier), Lady Graham and the Hon Miss Graham idaughier-1-n-law). Miss Georgina Graham, Miss Catherine Graham, Miss Laura Graham, Miss Loura Graham and Victoria and Fobert Graham Miss Laura Graham and Lady Fraser, Sir James and Lady Graham of Noron Conyers, Mr and Mrs Richard Graham, Mrs R Haddhidren), Mr Ewen Cameron, Lady Graham of Noron Conyers, Mr and Mrs Richard Graham, Mrs R H Graham-vivian, the Macter of Polworth and the Hon Mis Duchess of Montrose, Mr and Mrs Lauras Hepburne-Scott. Mr and Mrs R Sandy-Clark, Miss Jepencer, Mrs John Sturiets, Mrs Adviness, Miss Misses, Mrs And Mrs Sandy-Clark, Misses of Montrose, Mr and Mrs Sandy-Clark, Misses of Linds of Misses of Misses, Viscount England, Viscount Campden, Viscount Canden, Viscount Canden,

**Anniversaries** 

BIRTHS: John Wilkes, political

Henri, Comte de St-Simon, pio

1760: Georg Büchner, dramatist

Goddelau, Germany, 1813; Her-

bert Howells, composer, Sydney. 1892; Nathanael West, novelist,

New York, 1903; Ritz Hayworth,

DEATHS: Sir Philip Sidney, soi-

dier and poet, Zutphen. The Netherlands, 1886; René Réamur.

scientist, St-Julien-du-Terroux.

1757: George Colman the Younger, actor, Kensington, 1836; Frédéric

Chopin, composer, Paris. 1849: Gustav Robert Kirchoff, physicist.

President of France 1873-79, Chil-

teau La Foret. 1890; Julia Howe,

feminist, writer and reformer

Newport, Rhode Island, 1910; Sir

Michael Balcon, film producer,

Hartfield, Sussex, 1977: S.J.

Charles II defeated by Oliver

A steel-making process was put-ented by Sir Harry Bessenier, 1855.

The Queen opened Calder Hall,

Britain's first nuclear power

Cromwell at Worcester, fled to

Perelman, humorist, 1979.

France, 1651.

station, 1956.

actress, New York, 1918.

neer of socialism in France, Paris,

eformer, London. 1727; Claude

Memorial services

Miss Genevra Caws, QC The Lord Chief Justice and the Master of the Rolls attended a memorial service for Miss Genevra Caws, QC, held last night at the Temple Church, Canon Joseph Robinson, Master of the Temple, officiated, Lord Justice Schiemann and Mr Michael Page (uncle) read the Jessons, Miss Elizabeth Appleby, QC, gave an address Among others present were

an address. Among others present were
Mr James Curds, Oc Bustand, Polly Curds (Asughner),
Mrs Richard Caws (mother), Miss Zally Caws (sider-inlaw), Mr and Mrs Elan Caws (mother) and and sisterin-law), Miss Wendy Sweritt and other members of the
family.
Miss Ann Kennedy incorresenting the Principal of Lady
Margarer Hall, Oxforth, Mrs Jacina Bird, Head Misness
of Palkner House School, and Mr Bird with other

Receptions

HM Government

ships Programme.

Fruiterers' Company

Lord Clinton-Davis. Minister for

Trade, was the host at a reception

given by Her Majesty's Govern-

ment yesterday at Lancaster House to mark five years of the

United States Marketing Scholar-

The Lord Mayor, accompanied by

Mr Sheriff and Mrs Michael

Oliver, received Mr Derek Tullett,

Master of the Fruiterers' Com-

pany, the Wardens and Members of the Livery at a reception held

yesterday at the Mansion House

for the annual presentation of fruit which was later distributed to the

sick and needy of the City. After-wards the Master, Wardens and

Liverymen were received by Lord Justice Staughton, Treasurer of the

Inner Temple, the Reader and Masters of the Bench. The Master

planted a fig tree in the gardens of

Mr lain Coleman, MP, was the

host at a reception held yesterday

at the House of Commons for the

British Safety Council's Inter-national Diploma in Health and

the Inner Temple.

British Safety Council

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and Wales

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Lecture

Mrs Susan Smith, Chief Executive

of the Portland Hospital for Women and Children, was the host at a reception held last night at the Royal Society of Medicine to

mark the 10th anniversary of the

fertility unit. Mr Marcus Setchell,

Professor Peter Braude and Profes-

sor Lynn Fraser were the speakers.

Coroners' Society of England

Mr Rodney Hunter Gordon Corner, HM Coroner of Milton Keynes, has been elected President

of the Coroners' Society of England

and Wales for the ensuing year in succession to Dr Richard

succession to Dr Richard Whittington, HM Coroner of West Midlands. Birmingham and

Lord Armstrong of Ilminster delivered the annual Brigadier Peter Pepper memorial lecture to the London Goodenough Trust for Over-seas Graduates last night at Mecklenburgh Square.

members of staff, representatives from the Chambers of Elizabeth Appleby, QC, and Michael Reioff, QC, ins. Chambers of Appleby, QC, and Michael Reioff, QC, ins. Chambers of Apple Worsley, QC, the Bench of the Inner-Temple, Heighthe Asso, the Office of Fair Trading, the Governoor of Noturing Hill and Ealing High School, members of the Bart, senior members of the Judiciary and many other Thends hom London and

Mr Raymond Jackson (JAK) ` A service of thanksgiving and celebration for the life of Mr Raymond Jackson (JAK), cartoonist, was held yesterday at St Bride's, Fleet Street, Canon John Oates officiated.

General Sir Peter de la Billière read the lesson. Viscount Rothermere, Chairman, Daily Mail and General Trust, read from the works of Joyce Grenfell. Mr Angus McGill paid tribute and Mr Ned Sherrin gave an address. Among

others present were:
Mrs lackson (widow), Mrs Polly Lester (mother), Mr Patrick lackson (son), Miss Dominique lackson (daughter), Mr and Mrs Ray Stevens (son-in-law and daughter).

### Latest wills

Master of Her Majesty's House-hold 1967-73, Extra Equerry to the Queen since 1967, of West Laving ton, Midhurst, West Sussex, left ton, Midmurst, West Susset, tell estate valued at E243,868 net. Re left 61,000 each to Cancer Retief Macmillain Fund, Friends of King Beward VII Hospital, Midhurst, and Fittleworth Youth Club.

Emberton, Olney, Buckingham-shire, left estate valued at £647,167

Margery Olive Mooring Aldridge, of London W14, left estate valued at EL 591,208 net.

She left £40,000 to The Prince Conso.
Foundation, Royal College of Musicalong with her collection of books o
music and her music.

Archibald Gordon Friend, Amesbury, Salisbury, Wiltshire, left estate valued at £1,308,380 net. He left £1,000 to Keble College, Oxford; £500 to the Great City Lodge and to the Ines of Court Chapter:

Sunderland, Tyne and Wear, left estate valued at £4,930,721 net. She left £5,000 to the RSPCA. Muriel Curry, of Corfe Castle, Wareham, Dorset, left estate val-ued at £3,104,787 net. Allan Earashaw, of Rawtenstall

valued at £1.665.890 net.

Café Royal. Commodore A.D. Barrett, president, was in the

Marketors' Company Mr David Thomas, Master of the Marketors' Company, presided at the Bowden dinner held last night at Vintners' Hall. Mr Bill Em Editor of The Economist, and Dr Roger Hood, Senior Warden, also spoke. During dinner, The Master Professor David Keith-Lucas, of

spoke. During dinner, The Master presented awards to: hiss align Kright for best performance in the diploma course of the Character in the diploma course of the Character in the diploma course of the Character in the Character of Marketing, and the 1997 marisoners award was made to Maker P.G.L. Leftery for constanding and long service to 151 (Greater Landon) Support Regiment, Buyal Logistic Curps (Volutieers), the company's adapted regiment.

FMA Mr John Davies, President of the Fertiliser Manufacturers Associarion, presided at the annual dinner held last night at the Savoy Hotel, Mr Bernard Brenmall was the principal guest and speaker.

Society of Stipendiary Magistrates for Enghand and Wales The Society of Stipendiary Magistrates for England and Wales held its Annual Meeting and Dinner on Friday, October 10 1997, at the Middle Temple. Mr Peter Badge and Mr Graham Parkinson. Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, were guests of the

### Forthcoming marriages 1

Mr J.M. Brust and Miss H.M.A. Otkey The engagement is announced between John, son of Dr Rod hetween John, son of LP K00
Brunt, of Buth, and Mrs Patricia
Mitchell, also of Bath, and
Henrietta, elder daughter of
Mr Tom Otley, of Mariborough,
Wilchire, and Mrs Kate Noble,
of Bath. The marriage will take
place in Sydney, Australia, on
November 8, 1997.

Edwards, rughy league player, 31: Lady Marion Fraser, chairman, Christian Aid, 65; Mr Alan Gar-Mr D.J. Deeny, QC, and Miss A.J. Scott The engagement is announced between Donnell, younger son of the late Dr. Donnell Deeny and of ner, author; 63; Sir Ralph Gibson, former Lord Justice of Appeal, 75: Sir Christopher Harding, chairman, Legal and General, 58: Mrs man, Jegal and General, 38. Miss Ann Jones, tennis player, 59: Miss Margot Kidder, actress, 49: Lord Kilbracken, 77: Mr Stephen Kovacevich, pianist, 57: Sir Cam-eron Mackintosh, musical pro-ducer, 51: Mr Arthur Miller, playwright, 82: Mr A. W. Rudge, DEC Advisoron Formperfire, and Mrs Annie Deeny, of Banford House, Gilford, Co Down, and Alison, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Ian Scott, of Rathdowney, Rossiare, Co Wexford. Mr LS. Duncan PRS, chairman, Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Coun-

and Miss A.M. Mackenzie The engagement is announced between Stuart, elder son of Mr Eric Duncan, of Worcester, and Mrs Joyce Duncan, of Droitwich, Worcestershire, and Alison, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Jain Mackenzie, of Droitwich, Worcessershire

Mr J. Dwyer and Miss A.M. Sachs The engagement is announced between Jay, younger son of Mr and Mrs John Dwyer, of Long Island, New York, and Alice, daughter of Mr and Mrs Jon Sachs, of Newton Abbot, Devon, formerly of Albury, Hertfordshire.

Mr D.J. Garner and Miss J.A. Rowe and Miss 1.4. Rowe
The engagement is announced between David, son of Sir Anthony and Lady Garner, of Seer Green, Bockinghamshine, and Jacquelyne, daughter of Mr and Mrs Grant Rowe, of Sandilands, South Australia.

South Australia.
Mr J.N. Kindlon
sind Miss C.L. Smith
The engagement is announced
between Jason, eldest son of
Mr and Mrs Brendan Kindlon, of
Cold Ash, Newbury, and
Claudine, younger daughter of Mr
Ivan Smith, of Sowton Village,
Enters and of Mrs. Christopher. Exeter, and of Mrs Christopher Salt, and stepdaughter of Mr Christopher Salt, of Kintbury, Berkshire and Islington.

Mr P.J. Murrell and Miss C.L. Whitaker The engagement is announced between Paul James, younger son of Mr and Mrs Anthony Murrell, of Moulton, Suffolk, and Claire

Louise, daughter of Mr and Mrs Henry Whitaker, of Arundel, West Sussex. Mr R. Scollard and Miss P.J. Hunter

Dragon Awards, the Lord Mayor's awards for business involvement in The engagement is announced between Richard, elder son of The Bunders, Trust Company, BT The Bunders, Trust Company, BT Personal Communications Division and the Nurvest Group. Special business award: Warwick Wright Motors. London: Persensibly award: National Tenants Resource Corre. Special City award: Lloyd's Community Programmed. Mr and Mrs John Scollard, of Carshalton, Surrey, and Pamela Jean, only daughter of Mr and Mrs James Hunter, of Enfield,

Mr S.J. Schag Montelion and Miss S. Palmer-Tomkinson The engagement is announced between Simon Jonathan. youngest son of Dr and Mrs.
Stephen. Sebag-Montefiore, of
Upham, Hampshire, and Santa,
elder daughter of Mr and Mrs.
Charles Palmer-Tomkinson, of Dummer, Hampshire.

Reed's School

Mr Brian Winterflood presided at a luncheon yesterday to launch the Reed's School 184th Annual Foundation Appeal, which was held at Grocers' Hall by kind permission of the Grocers' Company Master, the Hon. Seymour Fortescue. The Chairman of the School Trustees, Viscount Bridgeman, and the Headmaster, Mr D.W. Jarrett, also spoke to the 130 guests.

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Charitable Foundation Countess Mountbatten of Burma. Honorary President of the British Maritime Charitable Foundation was present at the Annual Thanksgiving Service held at All Hallows by the Tower yesterday for the lives of those who have lost their lives at sea and have no known grave. Canon Peter Delaney. Vicar of All Hallows, officiated. Relatives of those entered in the Memorial Book with representauves of maritime organisations were among those present.

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Evil is like witcheraft; it dims the radiance of good, and the waywardness of desire rasettles an innocent mind-wisdom of Solomon 4: 12 BIRTHS ALLEM BILLS - On October 14th, 1997, at Queen Charlotte's Hospital to Wendy and Graham, a son, Sacul Cosmo, a brother for Liberty and Amity. BAILEY. On 15th October to Jane (nee Cainan) and Mark, a daughter, Josephine May, a sister for Katharine. REMROUGH - On October 13th, to Philippa (mis Collyer) and Bryan, a son (Lee Bryand Bruce). CLASK - On October 19th at The Fortland Hospital to Robin and Bernie, a daughter, Cassidy Elizabeth. DAKIN - On October 13th 1997, to Victoria (née Ennt) and Jon, a daughter, Flora Elizabeth.

Elizabesii.
DAY-Lindi - On October 11th
at The Fortland Rospital to
Suzanna and Francis, a
darling daughter, Clara
Mangaret Ottlie. SAY - On October 13th 1997 Rachel and Shaus, a ser sar, a brother for Jack MARMES - On October 13th 1997, to Claim and Isin, a son, Andrew Maitland, a brother for Robert. CHEC - On Friday 3rd October 1977 to Louise (nie Dalton) and Bapert, a daughter, Folly Chec.

Chans.

LANG - On Thursday 9th Grouber 1997 at Kirkcaldy to landel, wife of John Mitchell Lang, a son, James Alexander. Both well, thank you to all staff at Forth Fank inhatarity Hospital Large-MCE - On 14th October 1997 to Rosanna, (use Lived-Roberts) and Robert, a son, Singh Jonathan Leac, a brothar for Charles, Cayberine and Henry.

BIRTHS HTTREL - On Thursday 16th October at Stoke Mandeville Hospital, Buckinghanshire to Carmel (née Molzo) and LEYMELL - On October 16th at St Mary's Hospital Peddington, to Jozzas and Luke, a daughter.

MCHOLSON - On 12th October 1997, to Martha (afe Eriscoe) and Colin, a son, Bertram (Bertie) George Douglas, a brother for Archie, Amelia and Violet. PME - On October 15th at The Portland Hospital to Francesca (née Costa) and Pierpsolo, a daughter Clivia.

MISON - On 8th October, to Verena (née Barran) and William, a son, Harry William, a brother for Alice.

gCAMLON - On October 11th at The Portland Hospital to Alison (mie Keel) and Gary a yon, Jake Alexander Gary, a beautiful boy.

SHEVES - On 12th October at Colchester General Hospital, to Sara (née Lodge) and Andrew, a daughter, Herriet Jacquelina Lindsey. of the Portland Hospital to Mam and Jim a son, Michael Edwin Hullaney, a brother

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DEATHS ARKLE - Physics (née Griffelus), on 10th October 1977, peacefully, aged 27. Children's author Beloved wife of the late Edward Arkin. Greatly loved by all her family and friends. Funeral Service, Monday October 20th at Residing Crematorium at 11.30am. Crematorium at 11.30am. Family flowers only, donations, if desired, to the NSP.C.C. do A.B. Waller and Son I.td., 36 Elden Read, Beading, RG1 4DL.

GAMBEN - Disma hime dised persentially at home on 10th October atter a short illness. She will be sadly missed by her two daughters, family and friends, who loved her desaity. Her funeral service will be at St Mary's Church, Thospe, Surrey, On Tuesday, 21st October at 11 au, followed by a reception in the Nutherrayks Room. followed by a reception in the Eutherwyke Room, adjacent to the Church. Flowers, donations and enquiries to F. Harrison & Son, 40 Harvest Rond, Englefield Green, Survey. Tel: 01784 432163

DURY - Runcy (née Rallian)
pascefully, on 16th October
at the age of 94. Much loved,
"Mo" will be saily missed by
Ann, Sman and Mark and her
many grandchildren and
grent-grandchildren.
Cromation paivate followed

FAULDER - Geoffrey Archur died suddenly at home in Horachurch, Essex on 1311 died suddenly at home in Homehutch, Essex, on 13th October 1997 aged 62. Managing Director of the Corporate intelligence Group, Beloved husband of Angela and dear brother of Joyce, Funcasi Mass to be hald at 8. Thomas Church joyce Funeral Mass to be held at St. Thomas' Church, Brentwood on Thursday 22rd October at 12:00 noon. Family flowers only but donations, if desired, can be made to the British Heart Foundation and sent e/o Bennetts (Bruttwood). Ltd 12:0 High Steet, Arentwood, Essex Call 4 4as. GERRAIT - On October 16th
1997 Dr. Joseph Gerrait
Fellow of The Royal
Academy of Chemistry and
Reader of Reistol University
died at home in Helstol after
a very short illness. All
friends are invited to join
the family for a Memorial
Service at the department of
Chemistry, Sunday
November 2nd at 12.00
noon. Home (0117)

noon. Rome (0117) 9735786 (0117) 9288312 Mike Ashfold, Bristoi University (0117) 9288313 Sue Williams.

8002EF - On 14th October 1997 peacefully at her home in Middleton Stoney, Margarite Violet Goosee, Much bred wife, mother and grandmother. Funeral Service at All Saints Church, Middleton Stoney on Touckey 21st October 1997 at 11.30 am followed by burial in the Churchyand, Family flowers only, demokace if desired by All Saints Church, Middleton Stoney c/o L Hartness Funeral Directors, 11 Victoria Boad, Sicester, Oxon.

SOURD-MARKS M.C. - Lampton Affred Francis, aged 57, died peacetelly after a brief illuses, on Teesday 14th October 1997. Frivate Pemezil No flower please. Memorial Service later. Enguistes to 29 Kelly St, London, NWI &FG. Peacefully afts

GRUBBY - Peacefully after painful filiness bravely beens, on 15th October aged 37, Gerald C. N. (BIII), beloved bushess of the late Nors, father of isobal, junes and john, grandfather of Early, William Daniel, Emily and Jessica, founder with Kors of Penrott HIII School, North Perrott Somerast. Cremation at Putney Vale Cremation at Putney Vale Cremation at Putney Vale Cremation for Transday, 23nd October at 11.00 am and afterwards at his daughter Janet's house. Enquiries to (0181) 948, 1563, Family figures only. Donations, if winhed, to Friends of the Eddery, 42 flury Street, 872 W CLZ A Memorial Service for Rill and Nora will be beld at North Perrott at a later date.

HARBOTTLE - Mary Yolanda, on October 13th 1997, and 82, th Goldsborough Nursing Home. Seddenly after many years of suffering freed with great courage and dignity, greatly laved, eldest taughter of the late Ather and of home Carr. Service at Christchurch Cockfosters, on 24th October 1997, at 2.00 ym fellowed by cramation at Harylebone Crematorium. Family flowers enly, Dunations to King George's Fluid for Satiors, would be much appreciated and may be sent to J E Kenyon, 6 Woodhouse Road, North Finchley, London, NI2 ORG.

HARTLEY - Charles William Stewart on 14th October 1997, penesfully at Honsfall House, Minchinhampton, Glos., aged 86. Bellowd, bushend of the late Marie Zoyla Hartley, father of Harnerst, Dorent, Denis and Zoyla Hartley, father of Mangaret, Doese, Desig and Hills, Requires Mass at The Priory Church of the Annunciation, South Woodchaster on Wednaster 22nd October at 11 am followed by grivate cremation, Family flowers only but demaritons if desired for the Cotawold Care Hospice, Burleigh, Strond, Glea. Required in paca.

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### **OBITUARIES**

### **DONALD HOROBIN**

Deputy Editor of ITN. died in Somerset on October 14 aged 76. He was born on July 7, 1921.

onald Horobin was one of the of the old school: tough, tenacious, with an intuitive nose for news that sometimes bordered on the paranormal. When he foresaw some development occurring in a running story, he would say. I can feel it in my water. Many newscasters and senior correspondents on various channels who are household names today served their pu-pillage under Don Horobin. He was an outstanding motivator of journalists.

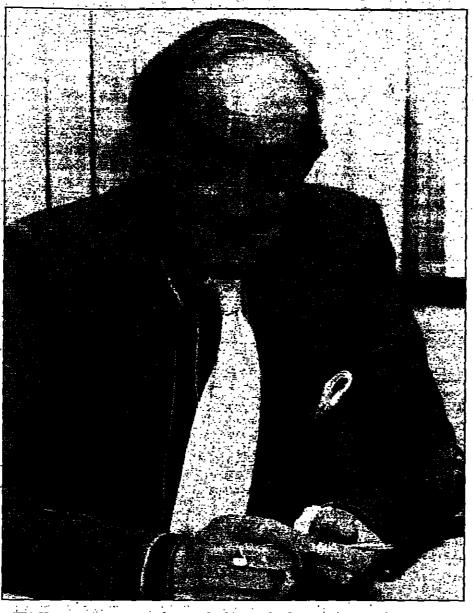
Horobin's journalistic career began after the war, when he saw service in Royal Navy minesweepers. In 1960 Sir Geoffrey Cox, then Editor of ITN, recruited him from The Birmingham Despatch. It was at a time when Sir Geoffrey was hardening up ITN's news edge with recruit-ment from Fleet Street and provincial newspapers,
For the next two decades

Horobin was the prime force in organising ITN's newsgathering over a period when the British people turned to television as their main source of the news of the day. It was the time of the Vietnam War, two Middle East wars: the anti-nuclear and civil rights movements in Europe and America; the turbulence throughout southern Africa; the start of the Northern Ireland Troubles; and, towering over it all, the tensions of the Cold War.

With the dawn of the satelite age, which enabled teleision news to report today's hews today from faraway places, he was an early advocate of the half-hour news. The short bulletins were no longer an adequate vehicle.

The birth of News at Ten in July 1967 gave reporters the chance to let their stories breathe in a bit more space. Horobin was one of the midwives, who brought into being what is now known as the reporter package. He helped to make News at Ten a reporter's medium, which it re-

mains today.



to ITN. He never gave up on a story. He covered all the angles and sidebars. Like many great journalists, he was an artist on the telephone, sweet-talking his way past obstructive gatekeepers to reach his desired contact.

He sometimes handled his team with the air of a provost marshal. But anyone else who criticised his reporters risked Horobin's fierce defence of his people. If any of his reporters was in trouble anywhere in the world, he would leave no stone unturned to help. He had a good nose for

nains today. spotting talent in reporters. He had a passionate loyalty and news editors. He looked

for growth: that was his key word. Any reporter who won Horobin's approval with "Good story, matey," felt desorated with a medal of honour. He had a way of administering sharp doses of reality for anyone in danger of vanity, which sometimes comes from appearing on screen in millions of households every

night. After a dressing-down

to some defaulter, he would

say sympathetically to his fellow executives: "If they 800ft deep loch. The sub weren't Newmarket thoroughfilmed muskets on the loch bottom thrown away by breds, they wouldn't be worth Highlanders fleeing Culloden, Once, in the pre-satellite but Nessie shunned the sub.

age, when a lone survivor. The story of that summer is

still the stuff of legend when old ITN bands gather over a

On another occasion, during the 1966 election campaign, he wanted to film a main party leader speaking in a South London marginal constituency. It was pointed out to Horobin that there was no Liberal Party activity in the constituency that day, so ITN would fall foul of the rules about balance and fairness if the other two parties were covered and no Liberals. Horobin persuaded the local Liberals to hold a streetside meeting so that ITN could get its balance.

When the Queen was expecting her fourth child in 1964, the plan was to deploy an outside broadcast unit outside Buckingham Palace to break into scheduled programmes with a live newsilash. The trouble was that an outside broadcast unit in those days was roughly the size of an armoured brigade so there was reluctance to deploy too soon. Horobin, in the newsroom, suddenly said he had a stomach ache and he was convinced he was having sympathetic birth pains. He scrambled the outside broadcast, which arrived just in time to film the notice being put on the Palace railings announcing the arrival of Prince Edward.

Under Horobin's zeal, ITN built up a tradition of covering feats of exploration, especially if they were British. The top of the programme so often dealt with death and disaster: the story of human endeavour at the end of the programme provided an upbeat leaven.

ITN cameras accompanied Chris Bonington's Himalayan conquests. There was an ITN camera aboard the rowing boat when John Ridgeway and Chay Blyth rowed across the Atlantic. Horobin arranged exclusive coverage of John Fairfax's singlehanded rowing across the Pacific He organised coverage of Sir Ranulph Flennes's early exploits and the round-the-world voyage of Sir Francis Chichester.

Don Horobin retired from ITN as deputy editor in 1984. He married his wife Denise in 1945 and is survived by her and their three sons and a daughter.

### PROFESSOR TOM EWER

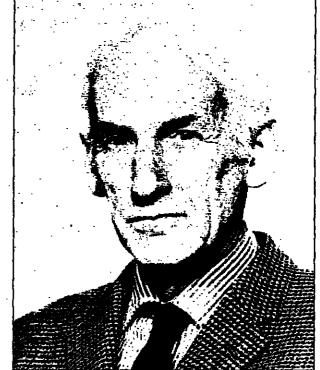
Tom Ewer, OBE. Professor of Animal Husbandry at Queensiand University. 1950-61, and Bristol University, 1961-77, died on October 3 aged 86. He was born on September 2L 1911.

AS WELL as being a born adventurer, Tom Ewer was one of the pioneers of the animal welfare movement in Britain. He served as a member of the important Brambell Royal Commission on the welfare of animals in intensive husbandry systems, and was a founder member of the Farm Animal Welfare Advisory Committee, later the Farm Animal Welfare Council.

Thomas Keightley Ewer was raised in Cornwall and educated at Fowey Grammar School, but left at 16 to take his first job as a clerk in a shipping company. At 17 he left his family and emigrated solo on an assisted passage to Australia, where he soon found work on a sheep station. From there he was helped to enter Hawksbury Agriculture College, and thence to Sydney University, where he read veterinary medicine. From 1938 to 1947 he worked in New Zealand, first in government research and then as a senior lecturer at Lincoln College of the University of New Zealand.

In 1947 he moved to Trinity Hall, Cambridge, as a Well-come Research Fellow to study ruminant nutrition. On gaining his doctorate in 1950 he was immediately appointed Professor of Animal Husbandry and Dean of the new veterinary school at Queensland University in Brisbane. This was typical of the speed at which he could make things happen, and was his first real opportunity to do what he liked best: put new things into

While at Brisbane, he traveiled regularly as a consultant for the UN Food and Agriculture Organisation, developing new initiatives in Burma, Ethiopia and Venezuela In 1961 he persuaded his new wife. June, that they should move together with their children (and those from their previous marriages) back to England, allegedly because there were "no sharks and no snakes" but actually because



he had lost the youthful romanticism that had called him to the open range, and now wanted to take up the newly established chair of animal husbandry at Bristol University's veterinary school.

He brought to Bristol a vision of veterinary science and veterinary education that was ahead of his time and often in conflict with the received wisdom. From nothing he built a superbly equipped department; and although he was physically formidable and sometimes forbidding, he was devoted to his staff and students. He poached time from the

heavy, vocationally based curriculum to enable all students to undertake research projects. He also established principles of good animal husbandry — which is animal science garnished with tenderness - both as a basis for preventive medicine and as the foundation for a professional approach to animal welfare.

Retirement from Bristol in 1977 brought little perceptible change in his pace of life. His next two years were spent developing veterinary education at King Faisal University in Saudi Arabia. He claimed that this was because he now

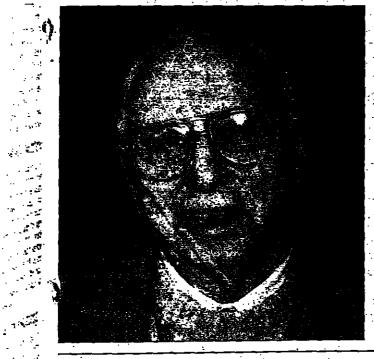
had nine children to educate but most had actually finished their education by then, and the principal reason was that he relished the new challenge.

He had always been just as active outside his departments as within them. His concern for human welfare had led him to chair the University Settlement, Bristol, a charity that tries to enrich the environment of a singularly bleak post-war housing development called Barton Hill. It was largely for this charitable work that he was appointed OBE in 1978. He also served his local parish and church councils until the end of his life, devoting equal energy to chairing committees and

mowing the churchyard. He loved music, especially opera, and the visual arts, and could be seen sprinting between concert halls and art galleries with panting daughters in train. His particular passion was for El Greco.

He served the family of man and other animals with great energy throughout a life that he thoroughly enjoyed, and died at his desk.

He is survived by his second wife, June; their three daughters; three sons from his first marriage; and three stepchil-



Murray Burnett, playwright, died on September 23 aged 86. He was born on December 28, 1910,

MURRAY BURNETT never visited Casablanca, and said he had no interest in doing so: but the Moroccan city was the setting for his play Everybody Comes to Rick's (written with Joan Alison), which was later adapted into the film Casablanca. Starring Humphrey Bogart and Ingrid Bergman. the film garnered three Oscars, won universal acclaim and assumed mythic status. That was all very well, but Burnett long felt that he had been denied his due in theatre and Hollywood history.

'Adapted from a play? Casablanca? i don't think so," Ingrid Bergman told an interviewer in 1974. But Burnett always claimed that it was he who had penned the famous

**MURRAY BURNETT** lines "We'll always have Par-is", "Of all the gin joints in all of the towns all over the world, she had to walk into mine", and "Play it, Sam". According to his wife, the actress Adrienne Bayan, nothing hurt him more than being uncredited.

of Iceland after a British

trawler was lost, Horobin

chartered a BAC III airliner

before breakfast to go to

Iceland, it brought back a

vivid account from the survi-

vor to lead that night's News at

Ten, and every paper next day

In 1967 he organised an ITN

submarine to explore the

hunt for the Loch Ness Mon-

ster and was the first to assign

had to follow ITN's story.

Murray Burnett was born in New York City, and his father, a clothing manufactur-er and opera buff, fostered his interest in drama by exposing his son to the theatre and opera at the Met from an early age.
Graduating from Cornell

University with a degree in English literature, Burnett became an English teacher at a New York high school. In the summer of 1938 he was in German-occupied Vienna assisting Jewish relatives to smuggle money out of the country when he saw a billboard in Vienna Square bearing a grotesque caricature of a Jewish man. He was incensed.

Returning to the United States in the white heat of anger", he asked the dramatist Joan Alison to collaborate on a play entitled Everybody Comes to Rick's about a cynical American who runs a nightclub in Casablanca that serves as a through station for the Resistance. Rick's former lover, an American woman of questionable morals named Lois Meredith, arrives in the

company of a remarkable

resistance leader, and she and

Rick resume their affair. An option was taken on the play for a Broadway production, but it did not appear because of artistic differences between Burnett and the producers. Instead he sold it to Warner Brothers for \$20,000, a record at the time.

Many were sceptical. The critic James Agee said it was "one of the world's worst plays", and the screenwriter Robert Buckner said it was sheer hokum", and that the characterisation of Rick was "two parts Hemingway, one part Scott Fitzgerald, and a dash of cafe Christ".

It was reported that five screenwriters were subsequently employed on the film. but little of substance was changed, except the character of Lois, renamed Ilse. Burnett greatly admired the resulting film, though he disowned the line in which the protagonist's problems are said to amount to little more "than a hill of beans". This was a cliche, he said, not worthy of his pen. After relinquishing the



Bogart and Bergman in Rick's bar. Bergman knew nothing about Burnett's play

rights to Everybody Comes to Rick's, Burnett left the New York education system to devote himself to full-time writing. In 1944 he wrote the Broadway play Hickory Street, about his experiences as a teacher, and You Only Love Twice, which was produced off Broadway in the 1950s. He went on to write, produce and direct more than a thousand television and radio programmes, including the radio drama Café Istanbul, starring Marlene Dietrich.

But despite all his later work. Everybody Comes to Rick's was Burnett's abiding passion. Even when it had ong passed from his hands to Hollywood, it was never far from his mind. The play was never produced on Broadway, but in 1991, under the title Rick's Bar, Casablanca, it ran for six weeks at the Whitehall Theatre in London.

In 1983, Burnett and Alison sued Warner Brothers when a was developed from the film. They asserted that they owned rights to the characters, but lost the case when the New York Court of Appeals ruled that they had assigned away ownership of their work regardless of medium

Late in life, Burnett tried to write a sequel to Casablanca, but he never completed it, fearing a lawsuit from Warner Brothers. He was also working on an autobiography and a novel at the time of his death. He is survived by his wife and

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#### BRITISH GLIDING CONTEST. 37 MINUTES IN THE AIR.

(From Our Aeronautical Correspondent)

Lewes, Oct. 16. This morning most of us who went out on to the South Downs to see the airmen connete for the prize of £1,000 for a glide of thirty minutes felt fairly confident that it would not be won. Mr. Fokker shattered our illusions. He has not necessarily won the prize, but he has made it certain that it will be won. Mr. Fokker made a glide of 37 min. 6 sec. The prize is given by the Daily Mail and to win it the successful competitor must not only remain in the air at least thirty minutes but is, required also to land on a spot within 800 yards of the point from which he started. This Mr. Fokker did. The weather was gloriously fine, with the sky as clear as one had seen it for a twelvemonth. Mr. Raynham, flying a monoplane glider and started from a catap managed a glide of I min. 35 sec. Capt. H.S. Broad, 2 min. 18 sec. and Mr E.D.C Herne I min. 38 sec. All these glides, if short, were yet encouraging for each was longer than the one before it. So far the competitors had all started from much the same spot on the northeast side of the top of latord Hill. Mr. Fokker for

### ON THIS DAY

October 17, 1922 

All manner of aircraft turned up to compete for the Daily Mail prize: some had been

rather hastily constructed, and the weather

being boisterous, not all survived intact

his first and second, Mr. Raynham for his second flight, and Mr. Gordon England decided to try the possibilities of a start from Firle Beacon. At two o'clock one panted up the last few yards of Firle Beacon and half an hour later Mr. Fokker in his biplane, with a passenger, shot off into the air. He soured and howered and turned making gliding appear the easiest feat imaginable, it was noticeable that he followed fairly closely the configuration of the land, and that he frequently got a strong upward thrust from a powerful gust. After travelling for what seemed to be a mile or more he turned completely round, and came travelling back with the wind full

behind him. It was an impressive piece of airmanship and it lasted 7 min. 3's sec. Then Mr. Raynham went up again. He took much of the line that Mr Fokker had taken and at the end of two minutes there seemed to be no reason why be should ever return to earth. Head into the wind, his machine hung poised 11can into the wind, his macrine rung poises 400 yards from his starting point, and perhaps 20ft higher than it. Then he went ahead again, rising and falling. At last he turned, headed up the valley with the wind behind him and landed after 11 min. 23 sec. He must have been seven hundred yards behind the spot from which he started. Mr. Raynham thus won the prize of £30, given by Lieutenant-Colonel Alec Ogilvie and the prize of £25 given by Mr. Fairey both of which were open to British competitors only. This was thought to be the last of the day's gliding but Mr. Fokker came again. While the sun was getting perilously near the horizon his machine was hauled to the top of the Beacon. He manocuvred with consummate skill and carried out a glide which lasted 37 min. 6 sec. Few people had remained to see it, the majority having supposed that the day's sport was finished before he took off. His was the only biplane we have seen to-day. He landed within 800 yards of the Beacon and thereby fulfilled the conditions of the competition.

### THE TIMES TODAY

### NEWS

### Civil servant quits over 'spinning'

■ Tensions over apparent attempts to turn civil servants into government spin doctors grew as a senior information officer resigned and a minister was reportedly rebuked after a row about a "political" press release.

Jonathan Haslam became the eighth senior information officer to leave after a bitter wrangle with the Education Minister Stephen Byers over a sentence critical of the Tories in a statement about parents' choice of schools.....

#### Royal Family will change its image

■ The Queen has accepted that the Royal Family must change its image after the death of Diana, Princess of Wales, senior Palace officials have told The Times . There will be no sudden switch of style but a source close to the Queen spoke of the need 

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New laws banning paedophiles from schools, playgrounds and other risk areas are expected to be introduced by Jack Straw, the Home Secretary, within the next .... Page 1 few weeks...

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The Government suffered a double defeat in the House of Lords last night over its controversial plans to introduce a total ban on handguns ...

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An eminent scientist was drawn into a row over an "astonishing" attack by David Blunkett on university academics teaching his student son Alastair....

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Police hunting the driver who is said to have rammed the back of a young couple's vehicle, forcing them off the road to their deaths. released details of the car they are

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#### **MATTHEW PARRIS**

Looking in, during Labour's Brigh ton conference, on the Stonewall lobbying group's gay equality dance, you might have suspected that heterosexual partygoers outnumbered gay ones. You would have been right...... **DENIS MacSHANE** 

### Should taxpayers pay for democra-

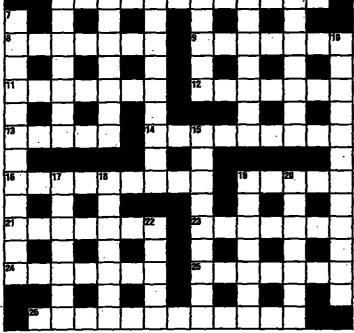
cy? The question Sir Patrick Neil has to answer is not a new one. Pound by pound, decade by decade, the political process has got its hands on public money . Page 20 PHILIP HOWARD

According to Chris Thomas; our man in Delhi, the Queen is about to launch. a more people-friendly monarchy when she returns from her state visits. A senior Palace source described the project to him as "monarchy with a human face".... . Page 20

Donald Horobin, TV editor: Tom Ewer, professor of animal husbandry; Murrary Burnett, play-

Patents in biotechnology; memorial garden for Diana; Yehudi Menuhin on the price of violins; forestry Le Monde | and conservation.

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The language of Hamlet — old lines providing quite a mouthful

S Start to fall, catching right foot (7). 9 Go back to capture pawn that's unable to escape (7).

J1 Suitable arboreal habitat for stick insect? (3,4). 12 Drink teas blended as one prefers

(2,5). 13 Gold, say, was in contact with aluminium (5).

14 Teachers dropping out each quar-ter before head makes short speech (9). 16 Small movement of sea, despite an explosion (4.5).

19 Boy behind mother who wears aproo? (5). 21 Finally buying land to develop

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23 Unwanted card one's left on shelf

24 He won't let people go round his estate, perhaps (4,3). 25 Meekly accept this is no guarantee summer's here (7).

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Sole cleaner is a feeble person (7). 2 One likely to succeed, though illegitimate (7). 3 Refused it, being poorly and too

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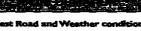
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Rain tonight across N Ireland and western Scotland.

western Scotland.

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Borders, Edinburgh & Dundee, Aberdeen: cloudy then brighter with afternoon sun. Max 18C (64F).

Highlands, Argytt: dull, fog over hills, mostly dry. Moderate S wind. Max 170 (63F).

Norwy Firth, NE Scotland, NW

Scotland: morning drizzle turning to heavier rain by afternoon. Moderate S to SE wind. Max 16C (61F).

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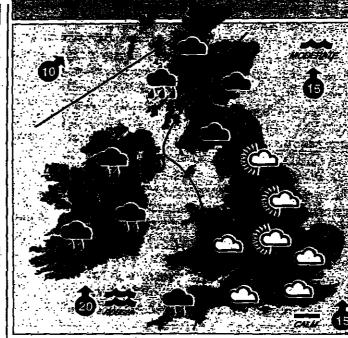
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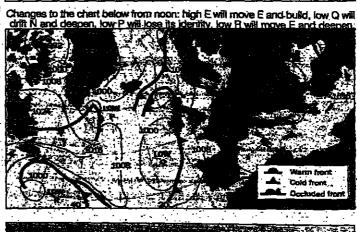
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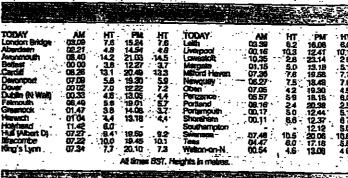
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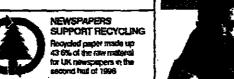
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Clarke to

join BAT

as £23bn

link is

agreed

By MARIANNE CURPHEY

NSURANCE CORRESPONDENT

KENNETH CLARKE, the ci-

gar-loving former Chancellor,

deputy chairman of British

American Tobacco, his third

City directorship since he lost the Conservative Party leader-

The news came as BAT

Industries confirmed the £23

billion merger of its financial

services arm with Zurich

will head the UK-listed end of

the new Zurich Financial Ser-

vices (ZF Group), caunoned that there would be "some

initial reduction", perhaps up

to 20 per cent, in the initial

ZF Group will pay BAT £500 million, take on £800

million of debt and take over Eagle Star, Allied Dunbar, Farmers of the US and

Threadneedle. Rolf Hüppi, chairman and chief executive of Zurich Group, will head the ZF Group. He intends to keep

Martin Broughton, currently

deputy chairman of BAT, will

be chairman of British Ameri-

can Tobacco. The tobacco busi-

nesses will restructure their £4

billion debt, while the opera-

tions of Zurich and British

American Financial Services

(BAFS) will be transferred to a

Mr Hüppi declined to dis-

cuss how many of the 66,000

staff in the merged company

world's biggest insurers with \$342 billion (£211 billion)

under management. Zurich

shareholders will own 55 per

cent of the new company and

BAT shareholders 45 per cent.

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would lose their jobs. ZF Group will be one of the

new Zurich-based company.

the UK brands intact.

dividend payout.

Group, the Swiss insurer. . Earl Cairns, who is chair-man of BAT Industries and

ship battle.

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**BUSINESS** TODAY

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Brent 15-day (Dec) \$19.85 (\$19.55

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The rapid advance of DFS

furniture chain coupled

disappointing year-end

that recent trading had

On the attack

programme last month,

went back on the attack

yesterday with the £361

Electronics. It will be merged with BTR Control

million purchase of

America's Exide

Systems. Page 30

a £3 billion disposal

BTR, which embarked on

suffered a short

downturn. Page 27

showed signs of strain as the

DFS strain

**BUSINESS EDITOR Patience Wheatcroft** 

FRIDAY OCTOBER 17 1997

Tim Waterstone 'appalled' at sell-off after second offer is rejected

## WH Smith in demerger U-turn

By Sarah Cunningham, retail correspondent

WH SMITH performed a strategic U-turn yesterday after rejecting a second set of takeover proposals from Tim Waterstone, the founder of the group's bookstore chain. Jeremy Hardie, chairman of WH Smith, who six weeks ago ruled out a break-up of the retail group, revealed plans to demerge the Waterstone's business and to sell its Virgin/Our Price music business and The

Wall, its US music business.

City Diary..

Mr Waterstone, who started at WH Smith, said he was appalled that the group was ridding itself of the business he founded in 1981 and sold to WH Smith eight years later. WH Smith will concentrate on its 413-store high street

chain, news distribution business and on international and travel retail operations.

Richard Handover, who be-

Volatile

pound

to keep

euro at

distance

By JANET BUSH

AND ALASDAIR MURRAY

STERLING'S recent vola-

tility makes it unrealistic

for Britain to join the

single European currency

in 1999, Wim Duisenberg.

President of the European Monetary Institute, said

yesterday. The institute, which is

due to become the Euro-

pean Central Bank at the

start of economic and

monetary union, will be an

important voice in next year's deliberations about

which countries will join

the euro in the first wave.

In a German newspaper yesterday, Mr Duisenberg made it clear that he takes

seriously the provision of the Maastricht treaty that calls for a stable exchange

rate for at least two years before joining the single currency. "I would consid-er it important for the

British to be able to dem-

onstrate exchange rate sta-

bility over several years

and for at least two years.

So far, however, we have

seen nothing but sizeable fluctuations," he said.

His remarks coincide

with comments by Andrew

Sentance, director of the

Centre for Economic Fore-

casting at the London

Business School, arguing that recent volatility of the

pound virtually rules out UK EMU entry in 1999. The British Chambers of Commerce yesterday also urged the Government to

make a clear statement of intent on joining EMU. The pound closed at 99.8 on its effective index.

compared with 100.3 on

Wednesday, and its peak

☐ Economists remain con-

fident that the Government

is on course to meet its full-

year targets even though

the public sector borrowing

requirement was about El

billion higher than expected, at 53.1 billion last September.

But the PSBR for the first

six months of this year was

£8.6 billion, compared with

£15.7 billion at the same

stage last year. Excluding

privatisation receipts, the

half-yearly PSBR is at its

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lowest level since 1990.

in July of 106.7.

weeks ago, denied that Mr Waterstone's approaches had forced a reverse in strategy. although he said they had spurred on the process of change. The process has been going on for a considerable period of time, not just the last two weeks," he said.

The company said that the new version of Mr Waterstone's original plan, which it threw out on October 1, "does not make an significant difference to the original propos-als. They were therefore unanimously rejected on the basis that they are not in the best interest of shareholders, do not create any significant

WH Smith's plan received a lukewarm response from the market. The shares closed up ust 3½p at 405½p, supported by hopes that a buyer would emerge for Waterstone's be-fore it is demerged. Tony Shiret, retail analyst at BZW. said that Waterstone's and Virgin/Our Price would both

compete head-on with the

value and are not financially



Book sale: Jeremy Hardie, pictured, announced that Waterstone's shops are to be sold off

main WH Smith chain. How-ever, better operational man-ever, better operational man-were loath to pay the high agement of the WH Smith chain should lead to some improvements in the currently poor margins, he said.

He said a buyer, perhaps one of the leading US book chains currently eyeing the British market, is likely to annear for Waterstone's, Oth-



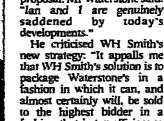
Alan Giles, who now runs Waterstone's, is set to be chief executive of the chain after he demerges the 106-store business next spring. It is expected to be valued at between £300

partner, Ian Gibson, the chairman of Unigate, said that they would not be making a hostile bid although they remain keen to talk to the board about their

leaving the group.

to quit and has no intention of

Mr Waterstone and his



package Waterstone's in a lashion in which it can, and almost certainly will, be sold to the highest bidder in a fashion that is tax efficient to the shareholders. This may create short-term value, but to take the best performing retail brand out of the portfolio makes no sense whatsoever." Virgin, which recently indi-

cated it would pay up to £135 million to buy WH Smith's share of the Virgin/Our Price business, of which it owns 25 per cent, is still seen as the most likely buyer. However, the complexities of the joint venture agreement could make a quick sale unlikely. Selling The Wall is expected to also be a lengthy business because of the poor state of the US music market.

WH Smith retail, run by Beverley Hodson, will concentrate on books, stationery and

### GTE faces curbs on \$28bn alliance

FROM OLIVER AUGUST IN NEW YORK

AT&T, the largest US telephone group, is lobbying the US regulators to impose strict conditions if they allow GTE's \$28 billion (£17.5 billion) bid for MCI to go ahead. The bid, if successful, will

resurrect BT's global strategy as it is likely to play a major alliance. According to insiders, GTE has been in contact with BT since the WorldCorn bid two weeks ago. BT is believed to have co-

operated with GTE to launch what could turn out to be a white knight rescue. A US link-up is a key part of BT's strategy to transform itself into a global heavyweight in telecommunications.

A three-way deal would give BT a US partner with a local and long-distance capacity to rival AT&T. Andy Moffat, analyst at Société Générale, the broker, said: "It's a much stronger outcome than the MCI merger. They are now getting a partner who is a

group from Pearson. Part of the £100 million raised will go major US player."
AT&T said: "We fully expect
the Government to require GTE to get serious about opening its local markets to real competition and to stop erecting economic roadblocks to the speedy implementation of the 1996 Telecommunications Act". The deregulatory Act sparked the merger frenzy.

Paper tigers: Jim Brown, left, Newsquest chairman, celebrating yesterday's floation with John Pfeil, finance director

### Newsquest value set at £500m

BY OUR MEDIA EDITOR

SHARES of Newsquest, the local newspaper group, ended their first day of stock market trading at 2522p yesterday, putting a value of £500 million.

on the company.

The share offering, which was oversubscribed, was priced at 250p for its stock market debut - the lower end of the expected range — and raised a total of £100

Jim Brown, executive

chairman of Newsquest, said that he was pleased at the successful float in what he said were very difficult market

More than 80 per cent of Newsquest staff subscribed for shares.

The market valued Newsquest shares at an 8 per cent discount to Trinity International a rival newspaper group, and at a near-12 per cent discount to Johnson

Press. Commenting on the gentle start to trading yester-day, Mr Brown said: "I suspect that once the market sees the value in the business the shares will move up." He also praised staff for participating in the flotation.

The company has around £190 million in debt from the original management buyout from Reed Elsevier and the acquisition of the Westminster Press regional newspaper

to reducing debt and part to fund future development. Following the flotation, RRN Associated, a partner-

ship organised by Kohlberg Kravis Roberts, holds 40.4 per cent of the company, and Cinven 14.3 per cent. The management owns 3.7 per cent of the company.

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# Big investors unhappy | Share rights lift chief's

BY CARL MORTISHED

FEDERAL-MOGULS \$1.5 billion bid for T&N, the motor parts manufacturer. received a less than rapturous reception from leading shareholders. Yesterday's recommended bid, struck at 260p per share, is an 11 per cent increase on Federal-Mogul's indicative offer, revealed last month. The price was then roundly rejected by PDFM, M&G and Schroders, who together own almost

half of the company.

One leading shareholder said: "We don't think this fully reflects the value of the company. The question is: do we take what's on offer now or do we wait for T&N to get there on its own?" T&N will declare a final dividend of

3p. providing accepting shareholders with 263p per share. Sir Colin Hope, chairman, who will become international adviser to Federal-Mogul, said it was

a good deal for Federal-Mogul and said he had discussed the bid with "all of the leading chief executives in the industry". He said: "Bearing in mind the extent to which the stock market has undervalued T&N, the cash offer is at a level which the board of T&N can recommend to shareholders."

Federal-Mogul's £1.5 billion bid is being financed with a bridging loan from Chase Manhattan which is expected to be refinanced in with equity.

Dick Snell, Federal-Mogul's chairman expects to achieve \$100 million (E62 million) of annual savings from the takeover in the second year. The merged company will have a 90 per cent share in the US bearings market.

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# over £1.5bn T&N bid pay to £6.8m at BSkyB

BY RAYMOND SNODDY, MEDIA EDITOR

SAM CHISHOLM, who retires as chief executive of British Sky Broadcasting at the end of this year, pushed his take home pay to a record in 1997 -of £6.83 million. The package compares with £3.84 million last year. The main reason for the rise is that Mr Chisholm exercised a right to 1.7 million "notional shares" arising from the Back Blooming, which lead to a profit of £5.12 million.

After he retires, Mr Chisholm will remain a non-executive director for two years and will receive his full pay under a revised service agreement for an average of ten days' work a month. Mr Chisholm will continue to receive 0.5 per cent of BSkyB's profits under the senior management bonus scheme, million a year. He also has rights to pension, of £298,103.

more than 750,000 shares at an option price of £5.675 a share, which means they are currently worthless. BSkyB shares ended at 4622 p yesterday.

David Chance, deputy managing director of BSkyB, in which News International, owner of The Times, has a 40 per cent stake, received total payments of £3.05 million in the year to June, up from £2.65 million. Mr Chance, who is also leaving at the end of this year, will remain as a consultant to the satellite company for 12 months, for an average of ten days a month. He will be paid per working day based on his existing salary and entitlement in

the management bonus scheme. Elisabeth Murdoch, BSkyB general manager and an alternate director. expected to be worth at least £1.5 had total remuneration, including

**BUSINESS NEWS** 

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David Jones, the entrepreneur who founded ShareLink, surveying work at his creation. whose American parent company is renaming it to reflect an international strategy

### US parent to rename ShareLink broker

By RICHARD MILES

Charles Schwab, a US bro-

kerage, bought ShareLink two

years ago from its founder,

David Jones, for £39.5 mil-

lion, and now wants to use it

as a springboard for expan-

sion into continental Europe.

Guy Knight, vice-president,

said that the name ShareLink

SHARELINK, the telephone-THE British Chambers of based stockbroker founded in Commerce said yesterday that 1987, is to disappear at the end manufacturers' profits and of this year. Its American parent, Charles Schwab, yes-terday said it is to drop the confidence were suffering from a sharp decline in export activity caused by the strong pound and stiff domestic ShareLink name in favour of

Manufacturing exports are at their lowest since the third quarter of 1992 although the service sector remains

president, said: "The excep-tionally high level of sterling

MEDEVA, the pharmaceuti-

cals company, plans to file for

regulatory approval of the

hepatitis B vaccine that is

product to date

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potentially its most important

The company, best known for its methylphenidate treat-

ment for hyperactive children,

yesterday released trial results

that suggested its Hepagene vaccine has some significant

did not fit Charles Schwab's wider ambitions, which could **Promising vaccine** lead the broker into institutional business, as well as extending its services to boosts Medeva wealthy private investors. We are the UK division of

an international company, and we are more and more looking for international growth," he said, adding that Charles Schwab had set iself the goal of growing its \$350 billion of customer assets to \$1 trillion by 2005.

ShareLink, to be rebranded Charles Schwab Europe by the end of the year, has been criticised for noor service standards, with many clients complaining that its telephone lines were always engaged.

### BCC voices concern over effects of strong pound

By Philip Bassett, industrial editor

earlier in the year dealt a savage blow to the UK manufacturing industry, the effects of which are now beginning to feed through as manufacturers begin to lose ground to increasing levels of foreign competition, both at home and

"A sharp decline in the levels of home and export orders taken over the last three months indicates that buoyant. David Richardson, BCC the situation is not likely to improve in the short term." The BCC said that manufac-

By PAUL DURMAN

benefits over existing prod-

ucts. It also reported results

that suggest Hepagene can be

the vaccine by the end of 1999.

Medeva shares rose 202p to

turers were absorbing rising costs by reducing profits and in that context interest rates should stay where they are for the time being". Rates should stay "as low as possible", since any new rise would push sterling up still

Ian Peters, BCC deputy director-general, said business did not believe that the pound could be talked down in the long term although it accepted that positive indications on economic and monetary union

had helped to ease the pressure on industry from high But he added: "A statement

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from the Chancellor making clear our intentions with regard to EMU (those intentions should be that we should not enter in the first wave but at a later point) would help reduce the value of the pound."

The BCC's latest survey of almost 8,000 companies shows a "significant deterioration" in export sales, with manufacturers' exports now

manufacturers would find it

### business had been giving about the strength of the pound were now coming true. Having lost export orders,

very difficult to regain them, particularly since strong domestic activity meant that imports made more attractive by sterling's strength were being sucked into the UK economy, with the result that only a third of manufacturers were forecasting improving

### Electricity bills to fall £24

By Christine Buckley, industrial correspondent

year. But reductions will vary

considerably from region to

ELECTRICITY bills will be and 3 per cent the following cut by an average £24 over the next two years, under price controls to be implemented when the household market opens to competition next

used to "cure" chronic carriers Low-income customers on of the hepatitis B virus. Medeva hopes to take 20 to pre-payment meters will bene-30 per cent of the vaccine market. If approval is granted, fit from the same cost reductions, Stephen Littlechild, the it may be able to start selling regulator, said.

The bill cuts will average 9 per cent after two years with 6 per cent being out next year

London faces the highest bill cut at 14.8 per cent over

two years, followed by Eastern at 11.9 per cent. ScottishPower bills will fall just 5.2 per cent.

Regional electricity companies now have one month to lecide whether to accept controls, which have been watered down from a regime that would have cut £32 off an

average bill. Regional companies claim that not enough pressure is being exerted on the generators, whose prices account for more than half of an electricity bill.

Yesterday the electricity pool, the wholesale market for power, agreed to vote on a review of its trading procedures at next week's annual meeting. But consumer groups are demanding action from the Department for Trade and Industry.

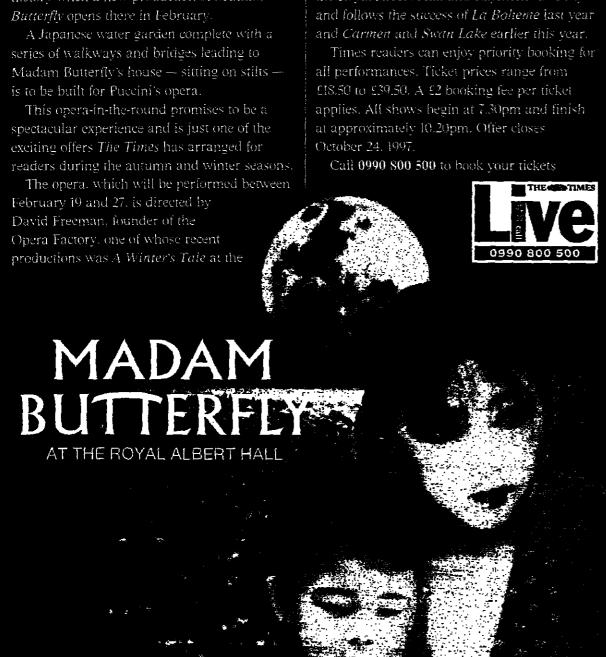
### **Utilities** THE TIMES

### Best shows, best seats

he floor of the Royal Albert Hall will be awash for the first time in its 126-year history when a new production of Madam Butterfly opens there in February

new Globe Theatre. This new production of Madam Butterfly is the fourth joint project by the Royal Albert Hall and Raymond Gubbay

CHANGING TIMES



### lead bad bill payers

UTILITIES are among the worst bill payers in the country, followed by financial services groups, brewers and the motor industry, new private research claims. By contrast, banks and grocers are relatively good at meeting their obligations (Graham Searjeant writes).

Firms in the four laggard sectors take on average more than 60 days to meet invoices from suppliers, according to Experian, the information service company. Its analysis of payment records of 250,000 trading companies found that utilities take an average 61.78 days to pay against 50.68 days for firms in agriculture, fisheries and forestry, the best of 28 industrial sectors.

Among big firms, construction and equipment hire are rated the worst, taking an average 75 days. But utilities (73 days) and financial services (72 days) are not far behind. Big banks, best of the heavyweights, manage to pay bills in 64 days.

### **Nationwide** to deter speculators

By CAROLINE MERRELL

NATIONWIDE, the UK's biggest building society, hopes to deter speculators by forcing new customers to sign an agreement promising to give any windfall after a demutualisation to charity.

The society, which this year successfully defended itself against an attempt by carpetbaggers to get elected to the board to force a flotation, wants to try to stop people opening accounts in order to get a windfall.

The society is also reducing the amount needed to open an account to El.

The Nationwide decided to introduce a £5,000 minimum on accounts after intense speculation about whether it would be forced to convert in to a bank like the Halifax, Woolwich and Alliance &

In July alone, £1.3 billionwas transferred to the society. much of this new money coming from carpetbaggers.

### **Exchange acts to halt Snake in the Grass**

THE Snake in the Grass has been defanged. The Stock Exchange yesterday outlawed the share dealing strategy designed to make a quick profit from someone else's typing errors, before it could threaten its new electronic market launched on Monday (Adam Jones writes).

The ruse involved traders inputting absurd orders, for example to buy at 1p. These may be automatically filled if another trader enters the wrong price or naively agrees to trade "at best price" when

liquidity is poor.
The Stock Exchange said vesterday that anyone who inputs an order more than 20 per cent adrift from the prevailing price may be fined for market abuse. As a transitional measure, the Exchange also said orders more than 10 times normal market size will be

FOURIST RATES

### BUSINESS HOLINDUP

### Pru sales hit by staff retraining

PRUDENTIAL CORPORATION said yesterday that thirdquarter sales were adversely affected by the retraining of its 4,800-strong salesforce in August and September. UK single premiums fell £33 million to £903 million between the second and third quarter, while regular premiums dropped £41 milion to £57 million. The three-day retraining of sales staff came after the Securities and Investments Board ruled that the company's in-house training and competence regime was not tough enough. About 240 sales staff, or 5 per cent, have failed the test and could face redundancy. A slightly lower number have also failed to gain the financial planning certificate they require to hold a licence. The company gave warning that retraining may affect final-quarter sales.

### Gas cheats face curbs

UNSCRUPULOUS gas traders who mislead customers will face unlimited fines and suppliers will be banned from working with agents who demand upfront money under new curbs plained by the gas industry regulator. Clare Spottiswoode, head of Ofgas, has backed calls from the Gas Consumers Council by proposing a marketing crackdown carrying the force of law. The restrictions would effectively outlaw the growing number of brokers who ask households for cash to secure cheap energy deals in the competitive market.

### Jarvis deal agreed

MINISTERS have imposed conditions to allow the £50 million acquisition of Fastline by Jarvis, the railway maintenance company, without referral to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission. Nigel Griffiths, the Competition Minister, called for undertakings that Fastline will make its specialist machinery available to competitors and that there will be no cross-subsidy within the group. Jarvis's main rivals claim the acquisition of Fastline will give its new owner huge advantages in winning contract work from Railtrack.

### M&S expands in Spain

MARKS & SPENCER, the department store group, is to open a new store at Zaragoza in North East Spain on November 25, the latest plank in an expansion plan across Europe and the Far East. The company said the Zaragoza branch will be its seventh store in Spain. M&S said that it plans to open stores in Torrejon de Ardoz, outside Madrid and in Bilbao during 1998. For 1999, projects include a store in Barcelona. M&S said its aim is to have opened IS stores across Spain before the year 2000.

### Firm action on concrete

A NINE-YEAR legal battle against cartels in the ready-mixed concrete sector ended yesterday with action against a further 13 companies, the Office of Fair Trading said. The firms were accused of fixing prices and agreeing to share markets in contravention of competition laws. The 13 were involved in the same cartels as 17 other companies that were fined recordamounts totalling £8.4 million two years ago. Two of the firms in yesterday's action were ordered to clear specified agreements with the OFT. The other II undertook to do the same.

### Coca-Cola sales rise

COCA-COLA earned \$1.01 billion (£616 million) in the third quarter, up 5 per cent from \$967 million a year earlier on sales that rose 11 per cent to \$4.9 billion. Growth was attributed to increases in its core brands, such as Coca-Cola and Sprite, and to new soft drinks, such as Surge and Citra. Wordwide unit case volume, which includes soft drinks sold in supermarkets and other retail outlets, increased 11 per cent. US case volume climbed ? per cent. European unit sales increased 16 per cent.

### Cable firm changes tack

GENERAL CABLE, the fourth-largest quoted cable television company, has lost patience with the way it has to sell cable television and is to concentrate on telecommunications services, with the emphasis on offering packages of telephone and cable television services. New customers who want to buy packages of television channels on their own will have to pay higher prices. As a result of the changes, which include reorganising to reflect market sectors rather than geographic areas, there will be an exceptional charge of £35 million in 1997.

### **BA** in Finnair pact

BRITISH AIRWAYS has signed a co-operation agreement with Finnair, Finland's national carrier. The two companies will share their frequent-flyer programs and develop routes, customer service and marketing together. Finnair hopes to counter existing alliances between rival operators by forging a link with BA. No mutual ownership or changes in personnel are planned, said Anti Potila, Finnair chief executive. Finnair last year flew 6.2 million passengers. It has 45 overseas destinations and 21 within Finland.

### Prudential announce a rate change of great interest to savers.

Prodential Banking ple is pleased to announce an increase in its 60 Day Notice Account interest rates as indicated below: Customers can make the first two withdrawals without notice. penalty free. The 60 Day Notice Account minimum opening balance for new customers will be £5,000.

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a temporary stint presenting a jazz programme on the radio

before getting into the serious business of selling cigarettes. Whether that, too, is to be only temporary depends on the strength of his teasing about whether or not he still harbours architicing to lead the Trans Date.

ambitions to lead the Tory Party.

Yesterday BAT was being coy about it will be paying Mr Clarke for his contribution, but it will

certainly be a useful top up to his backbencher's pay. Apart from being a jolly chap to have around

at board meetings, and a dedi-

cated user of the product, it is not

quite clear what else he will have

to contribute to the company.

The main emphasis for BAT is in

expanding into new and far flung markets and, despite his long

THE rapid advance of DFS showed the first signs of strain

chain coupled disappointing

year-end results with a warning that recent trading had

suffered a short downturn.
Sir Graham Kirkham, the

Tory fundraiser who built the company, said that like-forlike growth in its stores plunged from 10 per cent to 2

per cent last year after no benefit was felt from building

society windfalls.

Although he argued that the

figure is irrelevant beside the

pre-tax profits of £38.7 million

(£31.1 million), the shares

Wales, had led to an autumn

slowdown in which weekly

sales had plunged to El mil-

lion at one point, against £7

He said: There has been a blip, an aberration, but these sales have just been deferred.

Nobody else has been getting

them. Anything we lost then

Celltech to

work on

blood drug

By Paul Durman

CELLTECH, the drug dev-

elopment company, is plan-ning to work on a drug to

tackle the blocking of arteries in patients who have under-

gone angioplasty operations to free their blood vessels.

The company hopes to pre-vent the build-up of cells that can be caused by stents, the

tiny metal supports used dur-

ing angioplasties. The drug will be developed by combin-

ing Celltech's CDP 860 anti-

we will recover later on." Sir Graham played down the company's failure to

dropped 30½p to 570p. DFS store Sir Graham said that the 40 to 45. na. Princess of

DFS fails to

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cash to its till

capitalise on spending by windfall recipients, which has

windfalls to spend.

per share to 24.8p (19.7p)

to change

Fisher role

By PAUL DURMAN

STEPHEN WALLS, chairman of Albert Fisher, is to

give up his executive role once

the food company has found a

buyer for its scafood business. He will stay on as non-executive chairman (See Com-

Fisher hopes to sell the

end of the year. It plans to

perhaps £100 million — to

shareholders who have seen

the value of their investment

at £40.2 million for the year to

August 31, helped by a £3.1 million reduction in the inter-

halve in the past four years. Pre-tax profits (excluding one-offs) were £100,000 better

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body with technology it expects to license from ZymoGenetics, an American research firm linked to Novo Nordisk, the world's largest

producer of industrial enzymes. The shares climbed 10p, to 337½p. Celitech announced yesterday that it has an option to worldwide patents held by

#### est bill. The seafood business increased operating profits from £7.7 million to £11.4 million. A final dividend of 1.9p maintains the total at 3.75p. ZymoGenetics and the Univ-Crystal team buys

out travel groups

head of Crystal Holidays, the tour operator, yesterday unveiled a £150 million management buyout of Crystal and Jetsave from Viad Corp, the

US services company.
Mr Dyer, who founded Crystal in 1981 before selling it to Viad ten years later, is understood to have won in the face of strong interest from some of the biggest tour operators, including Airtours, Thomson and Carlson. The combined group will be re- UK's biggest skiing holiday named Crystal International operator.

BY DOMINIC WALSH PETER DYER, the veteran Travel Group. The purchase price is thought to have been about £50 million, with bonding, insolvency and foreign exchange requirements for most of the

balance of £100 million. Crystal and Jetsave, which between them carry about 400,000 passengers a year. have a combined turnover of £200 million and profit margins of 35 per cent. The brand names involved include Tropical Places and Crystal Ski, the

# Question of BAT — and all that jazz

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emeth Clarke's sense of humour is clearly being given free reign as he builds a choice portfolio of lucrative jobs to run alongside his position as a backbench MP. Who but the former Chancellor would think of pairing the stint in government, Mr Clarke is not particularly well placed to open doors overseas for the

Who but the former Chancellor would think of pairing the chairmanship of a chemist's business with the deputy chairmanship of a tobacco company? Former Chancellors, however, are becoming unpredictable. Lord Lawson of Blaby has plunged, with some success, into the hugely competitive field of writing diet books. In his spare time, he found time to make commercials for one unit trust company while sitting on the board of a rival financial organisation. Ken Clarke is fitting in a temporary stint presenting a But quite why Martin Broughton should have opend for the fun-loving jazz fan as his deputy is only one of the unan-swered questions hovering over BAT's £23 million deal with

Zurich Insurance.
The City had hoped for elucidation yesterday but was left still puzzling as to why BAT has opted for this route to demerger rather than the oft-mooted link

with Commercial Union. Although the fast gathering trend is towards the global-isation of insurance companies, the decision to keep all the existing brands, including the perenially problematic Eagle Star, is puzzing. Quite how this is going to enable cost savings of EISO million to be made remains unclear, and Rolf Huppi, Zurich's challenge, is besting august. -rich's chairman, is keeping mum

on the subject.

With the imagination for which his countrymen are renowned, the UK end of the business is now to be quoted in London as Allied Zurich. If the strategy for this business is still behind something of a smoke haze, the prospects for



BAT look somewhat clearer. As a pure tobacco company, a term that Ken Clarke would surely appreciate, BAT may command a higher rating than it has when mixed in with financial services. With its debt burden restructured, the company will be in a stronger position to expand into areas where the full delights of tobacco are only just beginning to be appreciated. Perhaps the ex-Chancellor could help in the

#### marketing? **Kissing Hardie** goodbye

Preventing WH Smith from turning into the next Sears demands the attentions of a serious, professional chairman and an inspired chief executive. Unfortunately, the company has

Richard Handover has had an inauspicious start as chief exec-utive and Jeremy Hardie's

performance as chairman has been, frankly, amateurish. It was Mr Hardie, lest we forget, who appointed Bill Cockburn as chief executive, only to watch him quit as soon as he got a better offer. The search over the summer for a new chief executive was an embarrassing affair, with names popping up and being swept aside with alarming regularity, making any sensible search impossible and the selection of

impossible and the selection of Mr Handover, a company veteran, a dull inevitability.

Mr Hardie's reaction to the approach from Tim Waterstone verged on the hysterical. The public rubbishing, without any warning to Mr Waterstone, made it easy for the bookseller to insist that he had a right to be taken seriously — however dubious his proposals.

bious his proposals. Similarly, however much the company protested that it had already been moving towards the new half-baked strategy it revealed yesterday, the timing

made it impossible to take its claim seriously. No one appears to know quite how or why Mr Hardie ever became chairman of WH Smith.

He was on the board from 1988. became deputy chairman in 1992 and took the chair in 1994. Before that, he taught economics at Oxford and was once deputy chairman of the MMC. His interests are the arts and Liberal politics - he was once an SDP candidate. This makes him sound alarmingly similar to another retail chairman, J Sainsbury's Lord Sainsbury of Turville, whose reputation also carries the whiff of amateurism. Mr Hardie insisted yesterday

that he has come under no pressure to leave. The institu-tional investors have presumably been too polite to tell him to his face. Some of them ought to remind themselves how much money they lost being polite by giving Sears' management the benefit of the doubt.

However busy WH Smith's high-powered non-executives may be, they would be doing their duty if they were to ascertain the true feelings of the shareholders, and then tell Mr Hardie to look elsewhere for a sinecure. WH Smith has no room left for mistakes, and not replacing him would be its worst mistake yet.

### Locking stable door

before EMU bolts 🕇 ordon Brown cannot apparently have it all his own way. He wants a lower pound to help Britain's hard-pressed exporters, and hints from the Treasury that the Covernment is graming to Government is warming to-wards the euro have been quite effective in depressing sterling in recent weeks. The British Chambers of Commerce yesterday asked for an even clearer state-ment of positive intent to bring the pound down further.

But these valiant efforts on behalf of British industry have now attracted some unwelcome attention from Europe's, single currency ideologues. Yesterday, the Chancellor was irritatingly reminded that sterling is sup-

posed to be stable for at least two years before qualifying for membership of the euro. The President of the European Mone-tary Institute talked disparag-ingly about the pound's sizeable

In the year to July, sterling appreciated a whopping 30 per-cent against the mark. A clever bit of EMU spin has knocked the pound down some 7 per cent from its peak and there is little

doubt that the Chancellor would like to see this slide extended. Here's the rub. Sterling has actually been quite stable at a high level for some six months. If the pound were to hold on to much of its appreciation, Britain could be fit for monetary union in 18 months. But pushing the pound into another downward leg would be seen as another bout of volatility and leave Britain back at square one on its exchange rate credentials.

### A lot of hot air

IT HAD to happen. Albert Fisher is now worried that the El Nino weather front may affect some of its food businesses. This comes on top of historic calamities, like the cold sea stopping the growth of Dutch cockles and a poor pea harvest, and the current bugbear, the frozen prawn glacier. If Stephen Walls was as good at running the company as he is at thinking of excuses for it. Albert Fisher

would not be in such a mess.

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### Shares gain strength from spate of corporate moves

gripped investors and injected fresh support into the equity market, which had showed signs of running out of steam.

There was a stream of early corporate news to keep fund managers occupied as share prices got off to a positive start despite the overnight setback for Wall Street.

And when prices in London lifted by an opening rise for the Dow Jones industrial average on the back of a subdued

The FTSE 100 index closed a shade below its best of the day with a rise of 24.2 at 5.287.9 in thin trading, with 817 million shares changing hands.

BT made up for lost time, leaping 2412p to 47112p on turnover of 46 million shares. Overnight news of GTE's \$28 billion (£17.2 billion) counterbid for MCI came after the official close of business in London on Wednesday. Brokers are hoping that BT. which still has 20 per cent in MCI, will eventually link up with GTE.

A lukewarm response was given to confirmation of the plan by BAT Industries to merge its financial services arm, including Allied Dunbar and Eagle Star, with Zurich. The price touched 619p before reverting to close 4'2p lighter

at 596<sup>1</sup>2p.

WH Smith rose 3<sup>1</sup>2p to 40512p after the group rejected the revised terms from Tim Waterstone and put forward its own restructuring plans.

The £1.5 billion agreed bid from Federal-Mogul in the US lifted T&N 2<sup>1</sup>2p to 256p. The terms value T&N at 260p a share compared with the 235p a share that Federal Mogul had thought of offering.

BICC was the best performer among the FTSE 250 with a jump of 2l¹₂p to 208p in turnover of almost three million shares. This despite downgradings from ABN Amro Hoare Govett and

On Wednesday, talk sugested it was about to sell its Balfour Beatty construction arm, while some brokers have focused on the bid for troubled Redland. They say BICC may

Newsquest established a modest premium in first-time shares at 250p. Shares in the regional newspaper publisher form at 255p, but later gave up



Sir Graham Kirkham and Jon Massey of DFS, down 3012p

ground to close 25212p, a premium of 212p. A total of 4.13 million shares were

Figures from fast-growing DFS, headed by Sir Graham Kirkham, chairman, and Jon Massey, executive director, failed to live up to expectations and the shares dropped 3012p to 570p. The company confounded brokers by saying it

from the building society windfall bonuses. This revelation also hit MFI, down 6p at

Marks & Spencer remains a weak market, dropping a further 1012p to 625p. In the past couple of weeks the price has fallen from a peak of 66412p, with some brokers claiming the shares are fully valued. Kingfisher also came off the boil, losing 9p at



THE growing number of suitors queuing up for MCI has underlined the empha-sis being placed on globalisation in the telecoms industry and the high prices that companies are willing to pay.

British Telecom rose sharply yesterday as the arbitrageurs rushed to cover their short positions established since WorldCom aunched its counterbid for MCI. Other telecom players with also came into focus with Cable & Wireless up 5p at 550 p, Euro-

Vodafone 10½p at 357½p,

and Colt Telecom, at 576 p, put on 5p apiece.

Brokers say American investors have been quick to realise that the valuation base has changed when it comes to telecom companies. They now take a strategic view. It's what separates the global players from those companies that continue to stand alone. these companies on

As one broker commented: "These days it is a case of focus, or die. You cannot

Stores held steady at 71212p after a meeting with brokers

on Wednesday. The company was giving little away.

Meanwhile, the Capital Group of Companies has emerged with a stake in Storehouse. Storehouse, 12p firmer at 23712p, of 14.36 million shares,

Break for the Border, the themed restaurant operator, is thought to be on the verge of announcing its first disposal. The group, unchanged at 5112p, is expected to unveil the sale of Lawson Beaumont, its outside events business, to Gardner Merchant, the UK's biggest contract caterer, for

around E2 million. Jarvis stood out with a leap of 36p to a new high of 31812p after being given the go-ahead by the Government to acquire Fastline, the track renewal company, for £64 million.

Signs of institutional support lifted Deltron Electron ics 11p to 13512p. At least one fund manager has been snapping up stock.

The stamp of approval was good news for Care First, with the price adding 12p to 115p. It has been nominated by Norwich Union as a preferred provider of care home

Coffee Republic, just a day after completing its reverse takeover of Arion Properties, revealed a plan to run coffee bars concessions in French Connection's stores. The shares rose op at 28p.

Vega Group, hit by a profits warning last month, rallied 20p to 245p on news of an RAF contract worth £275 million

GILT-EDGED: Early gains proved short lived, with prices drifting back across the board after the higher than expected Government borrowing requirement number. The worst falls were once again seen at the longer end, stretching to more than £12. In futures, the December

series of the long gilt ended £°32 lower at £119¹32 in heavy turnover with 151,000 contracts completed. Treasury 8 per cent 20i5 finished £1732 Off at £1152332.

while Treasury 8 per cent 2000 limited the fall to just a of ticks at £1031332.

□ NEW YORK: Wall Street turned lower, with program selling partly blamed. By midday the Dow Jones industrial average was 9.33 points lower at 8,048.65.

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### It's good to negotiate

saddled with \$3 billion in

debt, no small challenge for

a group with a market value

of \$1.7 billion. At the same time they will take a massive £367 million provision to rid

their revenue account of

future charges for asbestos. Yet Federal-Mogul's share price has risen from \$33 to

\$45 on since the bid was first

TAN: THE LONG AND SHORT TERM OF IT

GTE has thrown a lifeline to Sir Peter Bonfield worth \$5.6 billion. In itself, it provides a graceful exit for British Telecom from a potentially hazardous adventure in financing MCI's attempt to create a local telephone network in the US. BT's apparent surprise at the dirry tricks used by the Baby Bells in defending their patch from MCI incursion suggested some lack of research. It also showed curious unwillingness to draw on the UK experience where challenges to the BT

monopoly have had distinctly mixed success. BT could walk away with a bundle of cash to dangle at its shareholders. But BT investors are already getting special payments and the challenge in this industry is wise investment, not hoarding pennies. Mega-bids in the US may be a sign of a bull market peaking but these companies are also playing a strategic

game that Europeans cannot afford to ignore. GTE's bid is interesting because it has built up a big local network in suburban America with important stakes in cities such as Dallas, Los Angeles and Tampa. Not being part of the former Ma Bell monopoly. GTE is not subject to the restriction that is slowing the Baby Bell's incursion into the long-distance market dominated by MCI. Sprint and AT&T.

This cute strategy could offer BT a more painless way into a local US network than through bankrolling MCI's development. A tripartite alliance could feed local UK traffic directly to local subscribers in the US on lines in which BT had an interest. Overseas takeovers are an expensive way to secure control but in this hi-tech industry there are more subtle ways of securing market share. BT shares are looking more interesting.

Of course, there will be

cash from disposals and

savings from closing surplus

operations. But in this bull

market even allowing for

ashestos, it is extraordinary

that a key player in the worldwide automotive in-

dustry should be sold at less

than an average rating.

There is no hurry to accept

#### T&N

NO fund manager will rush to accept a bid lest he deter better offers but T&N's leading shareholders are a bit lukewarm about Federal-Mogul's offer. T&N has been a rotten investment over the past ten years and the company is recommending an offer that values T&N at about 14.5 times current year earnings, a 20 per cent discount to the market as a whole. The uplift simply restores some of the value lost to worries about asbestos and the disdain shown by some investors towards nuts

and bolts engineers. This bid is about perceptions and if anyone doubts that American investors are taking a different view of T&N, they should take a look at the US market's reaction to Federal Mogul. The US

motor parts group will be

Newsquest

THE Newsquest float turns out to be a respectable, rather than a joyous affair. Struck at 250p, the price was at the lower end of expectations and the subsequent 24p rise in yesterday's trading rein-forced the view that although

the issue was oversubscribed. the pricing kept the speculative froth to a minimum. Newsquest is deservedly priced at a discount to both Trinity International and Johnson Press. Trinity, in particular, has big titles in cities such as Liverpool and

well-deserved reputation for canny acquisitions and boosting profits.

To that extent, the Newsquest team, which has a lot of free newspapers in its prove. The realistic pricing implies the possibility of

Belfast and Johnson has a

The unsung story of the recovery of local and regional newspaper industry is beginning to be told. Investors from no less than 11 countries bought a slice of a very local British business with American investors taking a 10 per cent stake in the company.

is that more than 80 per cent of the staff bought shares an additional sign of commitment to drive up future value.

his tenure as chief executive. iod of hyperactivity that has, ultimately, succeeded in lift-ing BTR's shares after a pro-

But the appointment of the

respected Bob Bauman as

A further good indication

IAN STRACHAN appears to be enjoying a new lease of life at BTR Largely ineffectual during the first 12 months of Strachan has entered a per-

chairman in August has galvanised BTR into action. Last month Strachan put forward his vision of the company's future as a focused engineering company, divested of interests in building products, packaging and polymers. Disposals are just one half

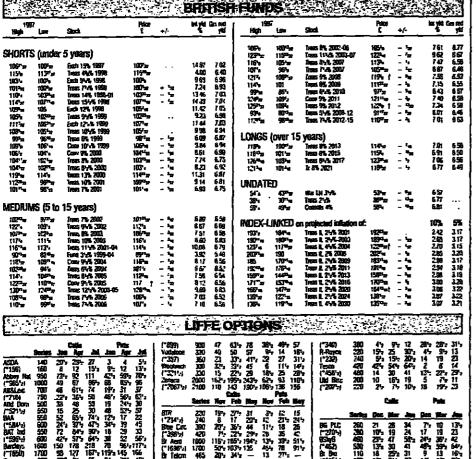
of the equation. The other half relates to the core engineering business, which has suffered from an acute lack of investment. With disposals raising about £3 billion, funds should become available to be ploughed back into engineering. The \$585 mil-lion purchase of Exide gives additional clout in a growing but competitive market, albeit at steepish price, and

cent require attention.

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### After a wobble, shares face a longish but not steep decline

Widespread fears of

another October

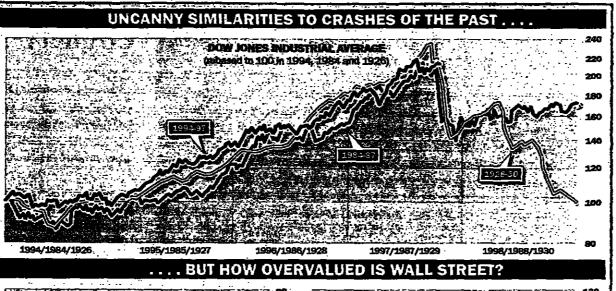
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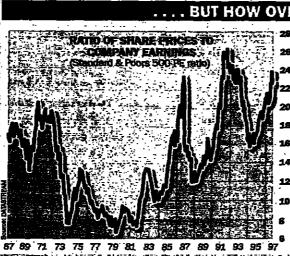
ll bull markets are alike, but every bear market is bearish in a Folstoy had been a Wall Street broker those lines might have begun his great work, A Knack for Earnin'. Since Sunday marks the tenth anniversary of Black Monday and the media are (as usual) full of Jeremiads predicting another Wall Street crash, it seems appropriate to reflect on the wise

words that he never wrote. There are plenty of good reasons for believing that shares are now too expensive and that stock markets are riding for a fall. Some of these. reasons were discussed in this column on July 18, when I bullish view I had held about Wall Street since 1995. The reasons for turning bearish have multiplied. Perennially bearish institutional investors in Britain and Europe are capitulating and pouring money into Wall Street, Builmarket euphoria is evident in the record-breaking bid for MCI financed by nothing but corporate paper. Investors are accepting ludicrous valuations for supposedly high-tech companies such as WorldCom, Yahoo and Dell Computer, which have few real assets and no proprietary technology or

The reasons for turning bearish do not, however, include the alleged similarities between today's conditions and those of 1987, still less of 1929 or 1989 in Tokyo. The Street bull markets of 1926-27, 1984-87 and 1994-97 is uncanny, as illustrated in the top chart. But just because both of the other bull markets culminated in a 30 per cent crash, compressed into a few days in October, does not mean that something similar is likely in the coming weeks. If anything, the widespread fear of an October crash implies that prices could rise once the crash fails to materialise.

The question that matters, though, is not whether there will be a one-day crash like Black Monday or Black Tues-day in 1929, but whether the direction of the markets in the year ahead is likely to be down or up. And if a decline finally happens, will it be a 50 per cent-plus catastrophe (like 1929 and 1974 on Wall Street or Tokyo in 1990)? Will it be a less catachysmic, but still traumatic. 30 per cent (like 1987)? Or will it be just a moderate (like 1990)? My guess, for what it is worth, is that shares will wobble for a few months





RATIO OF SHARE PRICES TO gross domestic product Dan 1997-100)

conditions turned broadly bearish in mid-summer. They may even hit new peaks in a pre-Christmas rally. By next vear, however, the markets are likely to beat a ragged retreat. ending up some 20 to 25 per cent below their present levels.

The reasons why shares today are vulnerable are familiar enough. Prices are unusually high in relation to company profits, gross domestic product and most other fundamental measures of intrinsic worth. Although many professional analysts, espem London, beneved mi to be true three years ago and thereby missed the entire bull market, the arguments that were wrong in 1995 are probably valid now. High valua-tions could be sustained, and indeed increased, while longterm interest rates kept falling and profits kept growing rapidly. But bond yields are now at rock-bottom levels and profits cannot grow forever at compound rates of 15 per cent, or even 10 per cent.

At some point, the share of profits in national income must stop rising and at that point share valuations that extrapolate 10 to 15 per cent profit growth to infinity are bound to fall. The longstanding bears were also wrong in 1995 to judge the market's valuations against bench-marks of the crisis-ridden 1970s and 1980s. Today, however, valuations are quite ex-

their levels in the 1960s. Against this background, it now seems prudent to accept the bearish conventional wisdom that I had opposed in more, as they have since previous years. But where the

conventional wisdom still seems too gloomy is on the severity of any decline. Another crash like 1987, never mind 1929, still seems improb-

The main reason for dismissing the horrors that spice up many market commentaries is that fundamental conditions in the American and global economies should remain benign for years to come. Global trade should continue to be liberalised Inflation should remain under control. Techand nology productivity inould continue to advance though not, of course, at the thtaking pace of the 1950s and 1960s. Politicians and central bankers should continue to rediscover their responsibility for maintaining full employment by managing demand. Under these circumstances, serious recessions are as unlikely as they were in the 1950s and 1960s.

favourable fundamemals will not preclude significant cyclical fluctuations in interest rates, profits and equity prices, they should continue to favour economic growth, investment and the accumulation of profits in the long term. It seems reasonable to expect, therefore, that share prices in the years ahead will fluctuate around the relatively high valuations they enjoyed in the 1960s. Judged by these benchmarks, rather than the unsustainable bargain-basement prices of the 1970s and 1980s, Wall Street is only moderately overvalued today. A 20 to 25 cent fall from current

ievels would probably be enough for the market to form a new base, ready for the next cyclical advance. This issue of valuations

makes the abruptness — and

the brevity - of the 1987 crash easier to understand. By the mid-1980s many investors thought they could discern the end of the post-1974 depression. They began to anticipate a return to the 1960s golden age of low inflation, full employment and rapid growth. But when the market got ahead of itself, as it invariably goes, the first reaction was t question the "new paradism" and to fear that crisis conditions and cheap valuations of 1974-82 were about to return. It did not take long for investors to realise, however, that there had been a fundamental improvement in the US and world economies. Fears about a return to the 1970s were misplaced. This was the reason markets began a sustained recovery within three months of Black Monday.

What the experience of 1987 proved in retrospect was that a market crash can only do permanent damage if it correctly anticipates a deep-seated structural dislocation. After 1929 came the great depression. After 1974 came 15 years of inflation and mass unemployment. After 1990 in Tokyo came the end of Japan's economic miracle, based on perfecting American technology managerial methods. After the present market crises in southeast Asia, a disintegration of the "Confucian model" authoritarian capitalism

may be on the cards. The next bear market in

erty, the department store

America and Europe, by contrast, is likely to be triggered by cyclical rather than by structural problems - most probably a decline in profit growth, accompanied by a modest upturn in interest rates and inflation. But once such a cyclical decline does start, won't it inevitably turn to panic, as it did in 1987?

think not. As share prices retreat in the face of unfavourable cyclical influences, long-term investors will be encouraged to favourable fundamentals of expanding world trade, advancing technology, stable prices, co-operative labour relations and managed demand. In 1987, before the end of the Cold War and only a few years after the crises of 1973-83, a stable world economy seemed a pipedream.

Now America has actually experienced this "new paradigm" (more precisely, it has rediscovered and revised the old 1960s paradigm, as I argued on Sentember 12.) Accordingly, investors should be more confident about buying shares before they collapse to the undervalued levels of late

There could, of course, be a 1987-style crash if prices surged by another 15 or 20 per cent in coming months. But in the absence of such a final outbreak of bullish hysteria, there is unlikely to be a "crash of 1997" — or of 1998. More probable is a longish, but not very steep, decline. Instead of falling into a pit of panic. share prices would slide down a slope of hope.

Beach call TALKING of the TSB, Lloyds TSB is still flogging off its spare branches at a pace. Healey & Baker, the surveyors, auctioned 92 of them this week, raking in more than £24 million for the clearing bank's coffers. Healey is getting quite sophisticated in the way it handles the bidding these days, so you can bid by phone, rather like being at Sotheby's. One bidder picked up a couple of branches in the Midlands, while relaxing on a sun lounger on a beach in Tenerife.



### City lets home-grown success story fall to the Americans

Carl Mortished reports on how the head of Federal-Mogul managed to put T&N, the automotive engineer, in the BHAG

multibillion-dollar bids, the City was given an inside glimpse into American corporate culture in the form of Dick Snell's BHAG", or Big Hairy Au-

The genial chairman and of Federal-Mogui turned up in London yesterday with a £1.5 billion bridging loan from Chase Manhattan bank, enough to snap up T&N, one of Britineers. Mr Snell's ambition is disarmingly simple the big hairy goal is to create a \$10 billion company in five years. T&N is just a step along the road

Posters at Federal-Mogul's Michigan HQ ensure that the BHAG is welded into the mind of every employee. Whether T&N's British employees respond to the American football team spirit remains to be seen, but one thing is clear: the City has let down a home-grown success story, handing it over to US investors who are less chary of a bit of business risk.

Sir Colin Hope, T&N's chairman, could tell his American partners a few things about big hairy auda-cious gambles. In the early Eighties, T&N was all but bust, a ragbag of businesses from building materials to auto parts, ready to implode because of mushrooming as bestos injury claims. Sir Colin took on a com-

pany worth £70 million with about £400 million in sales and set about turning it into a leading automotive parts supplier. He sold businesses in Africa and India, built up Ferodo, the brakes business and launched a bid for AE, the engineering group. T&N won the fight on the second attempt after successfully challenging secret indemn ties given to support the AE share price and beating off Hollis, a company backed by Robert Maxwell.

T&N's motor business grew and today has leading positions in pistons, friction ings. It has become a key player in a world where carmakers are seeking consolidation of suppliers. Ac-

cording to Mr Snell: "You must have engineering, design, development and testing in the same time zones and the same languages of your customers and then you must be able to manufacture around the world."

For several years, Sir Colin's strategy has been getting

it wrong and Dick Snell got it right 9

gation. Sir Colin sums up it:



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that breadth of coverage through acquisitions, recentin the tireless pursuit of Kolbenschmidt, the German piston maker in which T&N has options over a large City worried about T&N's gearing and the drain on its cashflow from asbestos liti-

"The City got it wrong and Dick Snell got it right." The deterrent for investors has been asbestos, a liability the company never sought to evade. Doggedly, T&N's

management soldiered on, running a tight ship that generated the cash to pay more than £500 million to asbestosis sufferers, finally putting in place an insurance policy that caps the company's exposure.

Such conscientious determination won T&N few fans in the City, where investors treated the shares like poison, preferring the shorter-term thrills and spills in banking and pharmaceuticals. As a result, Sir Colin was left with little ammunition when T&N and Federal-Mogul flirted with a merger

Robert Speed, analyst at Henderson Crosthwaite puts it bluntly: "It is a horrendous indictment of UK investor mentality. If they had merged the two companies. T&N would have taken 60 per cent of the group, but T&N stock was undervalued and Federal-Mogul was roaring ahead."
Sir Colin is clearly sad-

dened by the outcome al-though he is firm in backing Mr Snell. "I don't deny that a lot of it was management's fault, but something is very wrong when institutions say to me: 'Isn't it a shame you could not have carried on for two years"."

Pointing to Federal-Mo-gul's £1.5 billion bridging loan, he said: "It's ridiculous that they could produce the finance in America and we couldn't do it in London."

Yesterday, Mr Sneil was full of praise for T&N's management, making jokes about Sir Colin's negotiating skills - "When I'm next to him I have to watch my wallet." Mr Snell knows he is getting a quality product at a bargain price, but whether the City recognises it is doubtful. It would be nice if hundreds of thousands of British pensioners wrote to to ask why they failed to back T&N. But they remain invisible and the depressing money-go-round continues. -

### **BUSINESS LEFTERS**

#### Invoices can help timely payment From Mr Lance Allen

Sir. The debate continues over late payment of invoices "Large firms worst for delaying payments", October 3). Whilst habitual protagonists should be encouraged to mend their ways, a degree of selfhelp by the suppliers of the goods and services may help. Vague and unspecific in-voices will inevitably receive a

delayed or overdue response. By way of illustration: small printer sends invoice to large corporation, marked "goods supplied". Finance team logs invoice, forwards to stationery supervisor. He has no knowso invoice to finance, who now phone the printer. Source of order identified: it's projects. Invoice to projects for sanction, back to finance for, at last, payment. Invoice suppliers can give themselves an improved

chance of prompt payment by always describing the goods, and naming the ordering contact. Common sense surely. Yours faithfully, LANCE ALLEN, 33 Hazelhurst Crescent, Findon Valley

Worthing, West Sussex.

#### Wrong penalties From Mr Robert Breckman

Sir. The recent fines by the keting. Not marketing's order, Personal Investment Authority, eg, the £450,000 on Friends Provident, are without substance. The payment of these amounts only comes out policy and shareholders' funds. It is the individuals who should be penalised and banned from being involved with the pensions industry and the companies involved should be likewise banned from selling pension policies for a period of say, one year. Yours faithfully. ROBERT BRECKMAN, 49 South Molton Street, WI.

### Smugs views

TIM WATERSTONE'S stalking of WH Smith has brought out an epidemic of self-doubt among the senior management - and not only about the so-called strategy of the retail-er. Richard Handover, the "new" chief executive (after 32 years at Smugs), was concerned about how people view him. "I know what people say about me," Handover, who looks at least two decades older than his 51 years, told a City audience yesterday. "I know they say I'm a decrepit old fart from inside the com-



Smith is aware of what

pany." Before anyone had a chance to nod, he added: "But l'm.not."

However, he does not appear to have convinced Beverley Hodson, the managing director of WH Smith, and a relative new girl at Smugs. She referred to her new boss as "wrinkly" and went on to say of herself: "I know I don't have Mr Waterstone's charismatic whatever-it-is." Elo-quence, perhaps? Style? Ideas? Or ability to sell books?

●AND they said he would never finish the race. Gerry Acher, the head of auditing at KPMG, arrived in northern Italy yesterday on the last stage of the Peking to Paris rally, which he is tackling in a 1932 baby Aston Martin. He is due in Paris tomorrow, but is reporting strange noises coming from the engine. "We intend to make it to Paris even if we have to push the car," he emailed the office. That would be a sight.

Up in smoke THE appearance of cuddly Richard Handover of WH Ken Clarke as deputy chairman of British American To-



circle. When he was Home Secretary, Ken needed somebody to review police pay. So he turned to Sir Patrick Sheehy, who was then chairman of BAT Industries. Unfortunately, by the time the chain-smoking cigarette mak-er could deliver his report, Ken had moved on to become Chancellor and the new Home Secretary, Michael Howard. largely ignored Sir Patrick's recommendations.

● AFTER the troubles at Ferguson International, it is time to institute a Denis Cassido index. The hyperactive former British Home Stores director - who went on to run Boddingloris, the cream of Manchester - has had a wonderbacco squares an interesting ful track record recently. Lib-

#### group that is his main company, has lost a third of its value in the past 16 months. He also runs Oliver Group, the shoe sellers — which has lost two thirds of its value in three years — and presided over the magnificent flotation of Kingsbury Group, the fur-

niture flogger, seeing the shares fall from 321p to 119p this year before Lord Harris of Peckham's H&C put it out of its misery. Bad news for the Toon Army as well — he is a director of Newcastle United. Hatchet man

#### I AM sad I missed Tuesday's Hill Samuel reunion, which the

former merchant bank's former boss Christopher Castleman hosted at his offices at Standard Chartered bank. A star-studded cast from the City included corporate financiers from BZW (chitching ominous brown envelopes), NatWest Markets (ditto) and Close Brothers, as well as Richard Ramsay, now fimance director of Aberdeen foothall club. The biggest surprise was the appearance of Christopher Roshier and Trevor Swete, the ton financiers fixed by Castleman over a row about taking staff to BZW. But I am not sure all hatchets have been buried. There was no sign of David Davies, who presided over Hill Samuel's sale to TSB ten years

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### **Micropal** directors accept **American** approach

BY GAVIN LUMSDEN

The McGraw-Hill Companies, the American information services pro-vider that owns Standard & Poor's, the equity and hond ratings agency, said yesterday that it was ac-quiring Micropal. the leading UK data provider on unit trusts.

It also announced that it would be launching a comprehensive Internet service for US and UK investors in the near

McGraw-Hill would not disclose how much it was paying for Micropal, which had a turnover of £13.5 million last year.

However, Micropal directors, including Chris Poil, the founder-chairman who owns nearly half of the company's shares, have agreed to the

McGraw-Hill said that the acquisition would build on its leading pos-ition in financial services and global publishing.

Micropal, which measures the performance of 38,000 investment funds in the UK, Europe and Asia, will become part of S&P, which is expanding its fund-rating business be-yond the US.

Last February it bought Fund Research, another UK unit trust research

Jack Zwingli, group vice-president at S&P, said that the company had used Micropal data for five vears and now planned to develop more products for American consumers, brokers and institutional

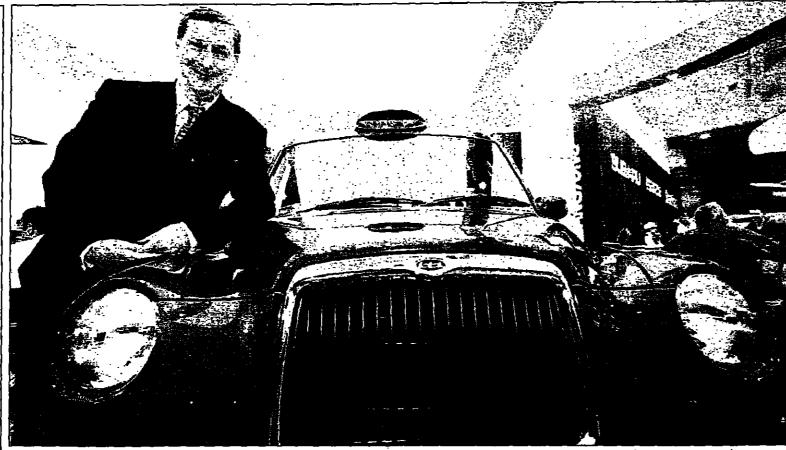
Next month it will launch Personal Wealth, an Internet-based service offering investors information and advice on finance and portfolio management, in the US. Subscribers will be charged a monthly fee. S&P hopes to launch the service in the

Mr Poll, who is leaving Micropal, said that the time was right to create a global service provider for the fund management in-

dustry.
He added: "The privatisation of pensions provision means you've got to get a global strategy. Over the coming years the fund management business will stop being the poor rela-tion of the financial services industry and will become the essential conduit by which capital is

Mr Poll is setting up a consultancy specialising in the Greater China region and will continue to advise the company, which will be renamed Standard & Poor's Micropal.

Mark Adorian will continue handling the day-today management and will report to Mr Zwingli.



Bronze Holdings, makers of London's black cabs, which are now destined for Paris and Frankfurt. The company dominates the UK market and is to

could have exported them before but it was the devil's own job to convert the old models to left-hand drive. With the new version this will be much easier.

production line in a few years." Pre-tax profits rose to E8.31 million (£6.2 million) in the year to July 31. The dividend rises to 9.5p (7p) with a final 6p.

### BTR strengthens engineering core with Exide Electronics

BTR, which embarked on a £3 billion disposal programme last month, yesterday moved to strengthen its core engineermillion purchase of America's Exide Electronics.

Exide, a provider of power supply systems, will merge with BTR Control Systems to form a global business at the heart of the reshaped BTR, with annual sales of about £1.5 billion and almost 18,000

America's Nasdag exchange. This compares with a hostile \$20 offer launched by Danaher Corp, another American company, in July and which forced the Exide board to explore alternative strategic options for their business. BTR has secured a recommendation from the Exide board and from investors who speak for 19.9 per cent of the shares. The Danaher offer was due to

expire at midnight yesterday.

lan Strachan, chief execu-BTR is offering \$29 for each tive of BTR, said the acquisi-Exide share, which trade on tion represented "a major step

forward in our strategy to focus on our higher growth engineering businesses where we enjoy leadership positions. group a global position in the power electronics industry and provides us with the ability to supply our custom-ers with integrated systems

Exide, which is unrelated to Exide Corporation, a manufacturer of batteries, earned pre-tax profits of \$50.9 million (E31.3 million) on sales of

solutions, for which there is

increasing demand."

\$562.0 million in the 12 months to the end of June. achieving margins of 7.8 per

Raleigh, North Carolina, with manufacturing facilities in America, Finland and Mexico. In addition to uninterruptible power supplies the company makes related software, and equipment and services for computer, communications and industrial applications.

BTR's tender offer for the equity is worth \$352 million. \$233 million of debt. BTR shares were little changed at 235p yesterday, down 12p.

severely underperformed the stock market over the past three years, have recovered some lost ground since Au-gust, coinciding with the ap-pointment of Bob Bauman as chairman and the subsequent announcement by Mr Stra-chan of a strategic refocusing of the group. BTR is seeking buyers for its huge packaging, polymers and building prod-

# the cost of EMU

By PAUL DURMAN

EUROPEAN Monetary Union will cost pharmaceutical companies hundreds of millions of pounds in lost profits because it will hasten the cross-border harmonisation of

drug prices, it is claimed. David Brewer, a senior consultant at the life sciences arm of Cap Gemini, the computer services consultancy, said that the introduction of a single currency would make price differ-ences more visible to government agencies and consumer groups. At the same time, he said, a single currency would further encourage wholesalers to exploit price differentials

through parallel importing.

Mr Brewer said that the absence of currency risk will allow wholesalers to take advantage of smaller price discrepancies. Cap Gemini believes that together these two forces will create powerful pressure to bring drug prices into line. Mr Brewer said harmonisation at lower price levels will cost individual companies hundreds of millions

Drug pricing varies widely across Europe, with some products costing only a third as much in Spain as they do-elsewhere. Mr Brewer suggested that harmonisation would only take place over several years because national agencies are likely to fight to retain control of drug pricing. and to protect jobs in their pharmaceutical industries.

A survey of 111 pharmaceutical companies conducted by Datamonitor on behalf of Cap Gemini suggests that the industry expects to spend about £850 million preparing for EMU in the next five years.

### Drug firms count | Microsoft chasing \$1bn cable television stake

FROM OLIVER AUGUST

MICROSOFT, the US soft-ware group, is considering a \$1 billion (£600 million) investment in one of America's largest cable television companies. Bill Gates, the Microsoft executive chairman. is seeking control of the cable sector after deciding that ca-ble, and not telephony, holds the key to the delivery of electronic communications.

Microsoft executives are negotiating a deal with Tele-Communications Inc (TCI) under which Microsoft would provide cash for the installation of the boxes that would give cable subscribers easy access to the internet and digital cable channels.

Viewers will for the first time be able to use cable television interactively as a result of the new technology.



Gates: communications key

Eventually, consumers are expected to route all their communications, including telephone conversations. through the cable network. Mr Gates's efforts are

aimed at making Microsoft software the standard on the cable network in the same way

nates the personal computer market. In an extreme case, rival cable software could become a threat to Microsoft's Windows operating system. the group believes.

Microsoft executives have said that "penetrating the living room" will be vital for the long-term future. The unconfirmed investment plans at TCI are worth between \$500 million and \$1 billion, funded from cash resources.

TCI is among several cable companies that formed a consortium to standardise cable boxes so that they can be used by cable providers nation-wide. But TCI's existing technology is believed to be inferior to that of its direct competitors. Microsoft is also trying to persuade Time Warner, America's secondbiggest cable operator, to endorese its software.

### Golden parachute of \$55m for Araskog

RAND ARASKOG, chairman of ITT Corp. the leisure group. will receive a golden para-chute worth \$55 million (£33million) if he loses in the \$11.5 billion takeover battle with Hilton Hotels.

Mr Araskog, who has been chairman for 18 years, is fighting to keep ITT independent. Hilton is offering \$70 per share. If the group is sold for more

than \$71 per share Mr Araskog will receive \$17 million in severance pay, while anything below \$71 will yield \$14 million.

He also stands to receive a \$26.5 million pension payout. \$5 million from another retirement plan, a \$5 million life insurance policy, \$1.7 million from a savings plan plus an annual annuity of \$120,000.



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### Gleeson build-up boosts share price

SHARES in MJ Gleeson, the building and construction group, rose from £10.22½ to £10.52½ after it reported an increase in pre-tax profits from £8.85 million to £10.5 million for the year to July 30. Sales rose to £205.8 million, from £198.4 million. Earnings improved from 57.45p to 66.48p, out of which the total dividend rises from 16.06p to 18.20p after a rise in the final dividend of 15 per cent to 14.17p.

The company said that demand in the contracting sector was continuing to rise in most parts of Britain and the construction divisions had a more substantial order book than for some time.

### Cirqual buys BWMP

CIRQUAL, the engineering group, is to acquire BWMP, a printed circuit board maker, for £36.4 million: Cirqual also amounced a 184 per cent rise in pre-tax profits to £6.73 million in the year to August 31, on sales up 72 per cent to £31.95 million. Earnings per share rose 58 per cent to 19.05p, out of which the total dividend goes up 59 per cent to 9.52p. Tony Gardand, chairman, said. "The group's existing businesses are continuing to experience high activity levels, leading the directors to view the year ahead with enthusiasm and optimism."

### 'Largest' cruise ship

ROYAL CARIBBEAN INTERNATIONAL, the shipping line, is to build what it believes is the world's largest cruise ship, which will have twice the tonnage of the QE2. It will set sail with a floating ice rink, a rock climbing wall, a roller-blading track and a television studio. It will enter service in autumn 1999, will hold 3,840 passengers and will be built in Turku, Finland. The new ship has yet to be named. Royal Caribbean operates two brands, Royal Caribbean International and Celebrity Cruises.

### Jobs consultancy placing

NORTHERN RECRUITMENT, the North East of England and Yorkshire recruitment consultancy, plans to raise £1.35 million through a placing of shares. In the year to June it increased pre-tax profit from £1.013 million to £1.72 million on turnover up 42 per cent at £10.4 million from £7.33 million. Like for like sales in the first quarter were up by 31 per cent. Lorna Moran, chief executive, said the proceeds of the placing will help with two new offices in Edinburgh and Glasgow, which are expected to open in spring 1998.

### Winterthur go-ahead

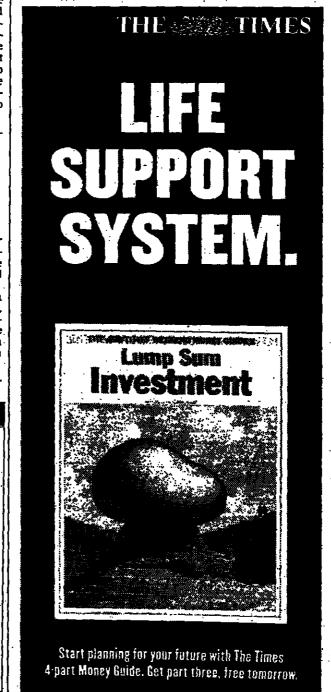
THE European Commission has cleared the merger between Credit Suisse Group and Winterthur Insurance Group. It said the merger would create the leading group in Switzerland in retail financial services and non-life insurance, and the second in life insurance. However the Commission said: The merger will nonetheless not produce notable: market share additions in banking and insurance product markets inside the European Union." The merged group will be among the five largest financial groups in Europe.

### Ultraframe £136m float

ULTRAFRAME, the designer and manufacturer of conservatory roofs, said it is planning a stock market flotation via a placing of shares at 147p a share, valuing the group at £136.4 million, a multiple of 15.8 times estimated earnings before exceptional costs per share for the year to September 26. Estimated earnings per share for the year are 9.3p, with the notional dividend at 3.5p a share. Estimated pre-tax profit for the period will be "not less" than E11.03 million. Dealing in Ultraframe shares is expected to begin on October 23.

### **IAWS payout rises 10%**

IAWS GROUP, the Irish food and agricultural products group, achieved an increase in pre-tax profits to Ir£25.3 million (£23 million) from Ir£18.5 million in the year to July 31. Earnings rose to Iri3.7p a share from Iril.8p. There is a final dividend of Iri.68p a share, lifting the total by 10 per cent to Ir3.2p. The company said capital expenditure and acquisitions totalled IrE34 million during the year. Free cash flow remained strong at IrE21 million and year-end borrowings were IrE22 million, with gearing of 30 per cent.



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The Lord Mayor's scheme rewards the firms who employ their business know-how to improve inner-city life. John Young reports

### Breathing fire into community projects

t is easy to dismiss schemes such as the Lord Mayor's Dragon Awards as mere public relations exercises, when you contrast the glittering towers and palaces of the City of London with the squaior and poverty that still afflict large parts of our inner

In one sense that is what they are, but in the best sense. Corporate involvement in community initiatives to help disadvantaged members of society is not going to make any converts among critics of late 20th-century capitalism. By donating money and a few hours of its employees' time to a worthy cause. Mammon plc will not persuade the public that it has a

heart as well as a purse of gold.

But experience has shown that a helping hand from the rich and influential can achieve highly rewarding results at grassroots level. Every successful example of corporate involvement, however insignificant its cost in finance or manhours, symbolises a

breaking down of barriers; often the greatest benefits are to company employees who gain experience and satisfaction from new interest and commitment. New

tion from new interest and commitment. New friendships are cemented and new alliances forged between the most unlikely seeming partners.

Twenty-nine entries were shortlisted for this year's tenth anniversary awards, sponsored by the Corporation of London

in association with Carlton, and organised by Business in the Community. The judges were the Lord Mayor of London, Alderman Sir Roger Cork; Eddie George, Governor of the Bank of England; Colin Stanbridge, Director of Carlton Broadcasting; Lord Sheppard of Didgemere, former chairman of Grand Metropolitan; Martyn Lewis, the BBC newsreader; and Debbie Scott, trust director of

Tomorrow's People Trust.
The winners in each of the seven categories announced at the Lord Mayor's Banquet at Mansion House last night are:

● City firm: Lloyd's of London. Immediately adjoining the City of London and increasingly linked to it by the eastward expansion of commerce into the former dock-lands, the horough of Tower Hamlets nonetheless has one of the highest levels of social deprivation and one of the worst academic achievement records in the country. The paradox is partly explained by a heavy concentration of recent immigrants, 50 per cent of pupils regard English as their second language and more than half lack fluency in it.

The Lloyd's Community Programme was established in 1989 to focus on education, training and the encouragement of enterprise in Spitalfields, and was extended to include the whole borough. It provides core funding for the Tower Hamlets Education Business Partnership, with which it has established a highly successful reading project, in which large numbers of City workers take part. In 1995 an appeal in the Lloyd's staff newspaper for volunteers to

help pupils with reading produced

an overwhelming response. Projects have been established in seven schools. Children's achievements are rewarded by excursions to places such as the Tower of London and Arsenal Football Club.

Ocumumity Regeneration: The NatWest Group. During the past five years the group has committed more than ESO million in

cash and kind to community ventures. These include the NatWest Group Charitable Trust, which since 1995 has awarded some £4 million to community groups across the country to help them to find their own solutions to unemployment and social exclusion. The trust works with 30 main

partners in a project entitled Young People and the Changing World of Work. The aim is to encourage youngsters to take advantage of new employment opportunities and to gain the skills, confidence and experience they need to lead independent lives. Successful examples include the provision of loans and support for disadvantaged black youths in Bristol to set up their own businesses, training people with learning difficulties to undertake volumtary social work at



On his way to the top: a bricklaying trainee taking part in the Peckham Partnership gets advice on building skills on a John Laing site

Success story: Lloyd's staff help pupils to improve their reading

a community centre in north London, and encouraging disaffected youngsters on bousing estates in Wales to become involved in community projects.

Grants average £50,000 a year for three years, with additional awards at regional level. Several hundred company volunteers assist with advice and in assessing and monitoring projects. Seminars are held regularly to enable those taking part to share their experiences.

Employee Community Involvement: BT Personal Communications Division. Working with Business in the Community, BT has established what it describes as "the largest company-to-community mentoring scheme in the United Kingdom". More than merely advising, "mentoring" aims to encourage young people to recognise and define their interests and to use them to pursue educational and eventually career ambitions.

More than 200 BT employees took part in the scheme, entitled Roots and Wings, in the 1996-97 school year. In the current year the number has increased to 325 and the number of secondary schools taking part from eight to 13. Schools are selected on the basis of having higher than average social needs.

An independent assessment by the North West Consortium for the Study of Effectiveness in Urban Schools found that Roots and Wings has made a significant impact on pupils' self-confidence, attitude to school work, skills, aspirations and awareness of the world outside school.

● London Partnership Award: John Laing plc and Grand Metropolitan. The National Tenants Resource Centre, which was 1995 by the Prince of Wales, is the first residential centre in Britain to provide training, resources and communications for social housing associations and tenants' organisations. Professionally organised courses are aimed at instilling tenants with the expertise and confidence needed to manage and negotiate more effectively.

opened in Chester in December

The centre is located in Trafford Hall, an 18th-century listed building which was purchased by

from a scholarship fund established by the two companies.

• Education and Training: Bankers Trust Company. In each of the past three years the company has given a total of £75,000 to a charity, the Morpeth Educational Trust, formed in partnership with Morpeth School, in Tower Hamlets.

The partnership is reported to have played a significant part in raising standards of education, behaviour and motivation among pupils in one of the poorest areas of the capital. Within two years the overall GCSE pass rate has risen from 69 to 85 per cent; the rate for grades A, B and C has risen from 11 to 26 per cent.

Grand Metropolitan Estates and made available, rent-free, for ten

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More than 5,500 tenants and

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help to meet the costs of attendance

extra accommodation units.

Attendance is up from 82 to 90 per cent, and young people with

previously low expectations of achievement have come to appreciate the importance of further education and the opportunities it affords. Sponsored new activities include a school orchestra, a study weekend for final-year English and maths students, science field trips and a recent week in America for 20 publis to meet their contemporaries at an American school.

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• Special Business Award: Warwick Wright Motors. In 1992 the company was asked to consider providing work experience for young people from schooks in Lambeth, southeast London, and agreed to accept students to work in its parts, service and administration departments. A number of other smaller garages have also ioined the scheme.

any of those taking part attend special schools. For students with social and behavioural problems, ordinary work experience has in the past often been considered impracticable, but involvement with cars can frequently help to stimulate new interests and talents.

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Although some businesses with limited time and resources have had to limit their participation. Warwick Wright has maintained a year-round commitment. Service managers are available to discuss career opportunities, emphasising the key discipline of learning to work together as a team.

• Special Certificate for the best entry nominated by a community organisation: The Peckham Partnership. Including John Laing plc. Countryside Properties plc. CATOR Pioneers Tenants. Association and Southwark Council, the parmership is dedicated to maximising the numbers of local people receiving training in the building trade and securing work on site. An average of 30 per cent of the workforce comprises people who live in the neighbourhood.

Regeneration of a number of huge housing estates has temporarily displaced large numbers of residents and emphasised the need for greater community involvement in upgrading living standards. A programme of work experience placements for Southwark Direct's Modern Apprentices is an initiative to take young people of both sexes off the unemployment register and recruit them for careers in carpentry, painting and bricklaying.



Bankers Trust is proud to be a winner of the 1997 Dragon Award, and would like to express its thanks and congratulations to the Teachers and Pupils of Morpeth School and Tower Hamlets Education Business Partnership, together with Bankers Trust employees, for their hard work, innovation, and commitment - key ingredients for a winning partnership

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member Dr Peter's principle of office life? It's the one that says people get promoted until they reach the level at which they are incompetent. Of course (he quickly added with a nervous giggle) that isn't true of O'Toole played Macbeth. our office, but it certainly explains

a lot about other people's. Well, a similar law governs cultural life. People who shine in one field develop uncontrollable urges to prove themselves unterly mediocre in another. Distinguished writers pine to host chat shows. Gorgeous TV weather-girls yearn to break into "serious acting, darling". Stockbrokers attempt to conduct Mahler. Supermodels write novels ... or so their dustjackets proclaim.

Then there is Sir Paul McCartney. This week our greatest pop songwriter revealed his own manic ambition to be Beethoven. His Standing Stone, a 75minute symphony composed with the aid of just two computers and five human assistants, was pre-miered in the Albert Hall — and promptly garlanded with the most

### As he said, money can't buy him love

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Of course, McCartney can afford to take a lofty view of the critics derision. His last excursion into classical music, the Liverpool Oratorio - a work whose chief entertainment value lay in the unusual speciacie of Dame Kiri Te Kanawa singing the role of a Liverpudiian housewife — was similarly ridiculed back in 1991. It has since notched up more than 100 performances. And Standing Stone already tops the classical

CD charts — not that you need to shift many discs to achieve that. Nevertheless, the question remains: what compels a genius to attempt something for which neither temperament nor training has equipped him? Cynics would reply that "crossover" is a gimmick invented by slick-suited accountants in greedy record companies. Not so. The inspired tunesmith who desperately wants to be taken seriously has been a phenomenon for centuries. Arthur Sullivan, for instance, hated the fact that his fame and fortune derived solely from his collabora-tions with W.S. Gilbert. He kept writing the comic operas to pay his prodigious gambling bills, but always believed that his best works were his dreary oratories.

And George Gershwin was constantly striving to "rise" from Tin Pan Alley to Carnegie Hall. I love the story of him meeting the French composer Maurice Ravel and humbly asking for lessons. "How much do you earn?" asked the astonished Ravel Gershwin revealed the astronomical figure; he had four Broadway shows running simultaneously at the time. Ravel bowed to Gershwin with elaborate irony. "It is I who should be taking lessons from



RICHARD MORRISON

Of course there is resentment when McCartney comes crashing into the classical world. But that is probably triggered by the extraor-dinary media circus that surrounds him. I still recall the wry remark of the Bishop of Liverpool

torio was premiered in that city's Anglican Cathedral. Before the performance started, the Rt Rev David Sheppard surveyed his unlikely congregation of preening celebs and godless music-biz execs. raised his eyes upwards to the soaring roof of Giles Gilbert Scott's massive nave, and announced with an eloquent sigh: "It is a real honour to welcome Paul McCartney to our little cathedral."

The reaction to McCartney's classical excursions from orchestral musicians, however, is probably closer to incredulity than resentment. Why, they wonder, should such a stupendously wealthy man want to enter our impoverished, unglamorous, nermanently beleaguered world? What's the answer? Well, remember George Bernard Shaw's

quip when the Hollywood mogul

screenplays. The trouble is, Mr Goldwyn, that you are only interested in art and I am only interested in money." That neatly caricatures the two-way envy that exists between "low" and "high" artists of all sorts, but particularly between pop and classical musicians. One bunch has all the dosh, dope, booze and birds - but after a decade or two of hedonistic excess its survivors crave something nobler and finer: immortality, intellectual credibility, knighthoods.

The other lot has centuries-old traditions of profundity, but is pretty well bankrupt. As the leg-endary Tony Hatch and Jackie Trent so memorably put it: "The other man's grass is always greener; the sun shines brighter on the other side . . . I like it when someone strays

across the Great Musical Divide. The ructions add to the gaiety of

nations. They shake up (if only briefly) our over-compartmentalised culture. And, every 20 years or so, a masterpiece is born. After all, Gershwin did write Porgy and Bess in the 1930s. The classically trained Bernstein did compose West Side Story in the 1950s. In the 1970s the Broadway superstar Stephen Sondheim did veer amazingly into dark verismo opera with Sweeney Todd. And only this year Wynton Marsalis proved that a modern jazzman can blast thrillingly into "classical" territory (and win a Pulitzer Prize) with his moving oratorio. Blood on the Fields.

McCarmey's Standing Stone isn't in that league. But who would blame him if he gives the traditional double-fingered salute to the British press, which has been full of sarcastic suggestions this week about him investing in some music lessons before attempting another orchestral epic? How many millions did McCartney earn last year? As Ravel would doubtless should be taking lessons from him.

### Weathering the storms

spent the last week on some remote Caribbean islet, studying the effect of hurricanes perhaps, to have missed the outpouring of commemorative broadcasting that heralded yesterday's tenth anniversary of the Great Storm, or Ye Greate Storme as some of the more biblical recollec-

tions have tended to identify it: Readers who share with me the appalling disadvantage of permanently living without light, heat or cultural stimulation (that is, outside the M25) will remember that on October 16, 1987, the South East of England, an area previously thought to be immune to weather, woke up to an absence of heat, light and cultural stimulation (even the radio did not work).

The nation quickly overcame its shock to let out a great cackle of derision in the direction of Michael Fish, the man who had failed in a radio forecast, to predict that our garden sheds would be turned to matchsticks and our picket fences dispatched to Eastern Europe.

Fish was and is a BBC forecaster, so naturally the corporation, in truly British style, has felt the need to haul. Fish through a hedge backwards not once, not twice but radio and television. And did Fish resist? You must be

"Hello, I'm Michael Fish. On the 16th of October 1987, southern and eastern England experienced the most violent winds in living memory. Thus Fish opened Storm of the Century (Radio 2), an hour-long recollection of the night in question. It was a splendid programme, good enough to be enjoyed even by those people who thought it sounded vaguely familiar. This was because they had

heard After The Storm (Radio 4) a few days earlier.

That was a good programme, too. Both had a raft of interesting anecdotes, both dealt with the serious side of the storms, the deaths and devastation, as well as giving an account of the stoical

But two programmes on two BBC radio networks commemorating the same event? Is this what Tony Hall, the chief executive of BBC News; was getting at when he announced recently that five tsars, sorry, executive editors would take over from individual programme editors to avoid duplication of resources? And was Hall wrong to back down so hastily?

Yes and no. It is in part what he meant but he was right to back off. The reason is that BBC Radio is a very strange creature, for it not only has five heads - the networks but it also has five hearts, livers and pairs of lungs. The notion that BBC Radio is an entity is quite wrong. You could put a programme about the Great Storm on all five networks on the same night and hardly anyone would notice. The loyalty of listeners remarkable. There are several million people who would rather be dead than lose Radio 4, yet they could not find Radio 5 Live on the dial to save their

They care about the other networks, they wish them to continue, but only as a way of proving that their network is infinitely superior. The Great Storm over Hall's centralisation plans was fanned by listeners as much as by BBC

# Wicked stepmother with gloss

Royal Shakespeare folk slammed out of London, the Barbican is back in theatrical business; but not yet with Henry V. Hamlet and the rest of last summer's Stratford fare. First, we have a modern Japanese play directed by Yukio Ninagawa, whose Midsummer Night's Dream last year was as thrillingly inventive as anything the RSC has staged in the last decade. Those

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hoping for another such banquet will be only slightly disappointed.

The author, Shuji Terayama, died in 1983, leaving behind a reputation for mixing the realistic and modern with the fantastic and sometimes mythic. That skill is much in evidence here, as is an obsession apparently characteristic of his work. Terayama never saw his mother when he was a child - she was working as a housemaid far away - but was brought up by an aunt. presumably, weird, painful muddle of emotions that exudes from the recently orphaned title-characsecond marriage.
The story will not be hard

for anyone to follow, especially if he reads the synopsis in the programme and then hears it doggedly repeated before curtain-up by a glum-sounding Alan Rickman. Tatsuya Fujiwara's vulnerable, willowy Shintoku-Maru hates Kayoko Shiraishi's Nadeshiko, whom his bereaved father has acquired at a sort of wife-boutique. Eventually, his bitterness defeats her kindness; he strikes her, and she PETER BARNARD | resorts to black magic in



A boy needs his mother: Kayoko Shiraishi as Nadeshiko and Tatsuya Fujiwara as her stepson, Shintoku-Maru, in Shuji Terayama's surreal play

revenge. So to a curiously erotic finale, in which a blinded Shintoku-Maru goes off entwined with his stepmother, presumably to bed.

I leave it to the shrinks to disentangle the psychopathology of this. What I can report is that the production never relaxes its grip, thanks partly

space. Only in Low Water did

the sound thicken, and the

mood turn mournful, with divided cellos playing atonal

harmonies, providing an

"ooze of balsam" out of which

the soloist weaves an impas-

sioned soliloguy which owes much to Shostakovich.

The final movement is

to the intensity of the principal actors, partly to Ninagawa's direction. I cannot quite explain why the evening opens with showers of sparks as men with drills grind away at the iron bridge straddling the stage. But after that the imaginative sparks keep flying. There are strange, surreal

scenes in which dwarfs mingle with bikers, ballerinas and men with furniture strapped to their backs, while a booth swathed with theatrical masks trundles past. There is a visit to the underworld, a place in which, far from finding his dead mother, Shintoku-Maru is beset by mad, screeching

women searching for their dead children among carts covered with flickering candles. And then there is Nadeshiko's graveyard voodoo, a scene terrifying for the force of its anger.

Add music that seems to range from Asia to Weill, Satie and other Western influences,

and you have an evening that won't just appeal to the London-based Japanese. Rathет, it is as if some gorgeously exotic gloss on Oedipus and Phèdre had come bubbling out of dreamland.

> BENEDICT NIGHTINGALE

### LONDON CONCERTS: A talented British composer unveils her new concerto; and period instruments shine anew known as the Violin Concerto

### **Brilliant** tales from the river

SALLY BEAMISH has no publisher, and is represented on CD by just one short piece. Yet the 41-year-old former violist has a substantial body of works to her name, works which musicians have inspired, begged her for, and love to play. A Second Symphony, to be premiered next March, and a Proms commission for the millennium season signal her standing on the British concert stage. And this new cello concerto, River, premiered by Robert Cohen, reveals a further expansion of her imaginative vision and a refining of her technique. The work was dedicated to

its commissioner. Robert Cohen, and is perfectly suited to his sensitive virtuosity and fluid elegance. Neville Marriner and the Academy of St Martin in the Fields responded with vitality to an eloquent score which in many-ways is deeply rooted in tradition: though the movements take their titles from Ted Hughes's River poem collection, they follow the pattern of vivacious opening, a mercurial-like scherzo, a dolorous largo and a finale with all the en masse rumbustiousness that goes with the territory. It was conceived as a set of variations but, far from sounding contrived, the re-use and reappearance of material created a subtly organic whole, it sprang to life with a lively dialogue between cello and

pet solos and the brilliantly

written cello part in clear

descent wind as the kinglisher erupts through a mirror. Cohen's slightly "tipsy" glissparsely scored orchestra. sandi. Perhaps the question now is not when a publisher The instrumentation was, on the whole, bright and will sign up Beamish, but whether she needs one at all. uncluttered, with lyrical trum-

jointed allegro?

THE Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment was on fine form for its concert with one of its most seasoned guest conductors, Sir Charles Mac-The people's period-instru-

ment orchestra's policy of working with a handful of major conductors, each bringing a different perspective to the consistently enlightened programming, has paid handsome dividends: most historically aware groups are closely identified with one individual who may have more to say in one part of the repertory than another. Mackerras may not have the flambovant appearance of a Rattle, but he is equally capable of bringing out something special.

The overture-concerto-symphony programme was tradi-

### It's thrilling to play by the rules tional in format, but the

interpretations of two familiar works (Beethoven's Violin Concerto and Schubert's Ninth Symphony) and one less so (Mendelssohn's Trumpet Overture) brought out their originality and fresh-. ness. Mackerras's strength is to set and maintain a tempo with a beat that is taut and full of rhythmic propulsion but never rigid. Thus in the Schubert that Viennese lilt kept breaking out in a seemingly spontaneous way, while in the Beethoven there was no meanOAE/Mackenas QEA

dering along the way to sa-vour the beauty spots: all was energy and momentum.

This is not to imply any lack of expressiveness (though there was scope for more dynamic shading). By not indulging those often unthinking pullings-around of the tempo common to most modern symphony orchestra accounts, even a work as well

came up as fresh as a daisy.
In this, Mackerras was helped by the soloist, Thomas Zehetmair, who gave a gripping and often daring account of the work. His superb tech-nical control allowed for a true pianissimo in the slow movement and dazzling fireworks in the Paganini-like transcriptions of the cadenzas Beethoven wrote for the original version of the concerto - for

All in all, it was a thrilling evening's music-making, with the orchestra maintaining the energy level and commitment right to the final cadence of the Ninth: another OAE concert to

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WHEN Warhol started exhibiting his Pop work in the early 1960s, most viewers found it shocking. Why was he choosing subjects as ordinary as Campbell's Beef Noodle Soup stacked in rows like a supermarket display? How could such a mass-produced theme deserve to be painted on a large canvas, without any attempt to transform the banality of tinned food? Warhol remained cool despite the hostility, and 100 Cans now deserves to be ranked among the most memorable images of its period. American society was changing, irreversibly. Warhol's pictures of endlessly repeatable, identical products, half celebratory and half mocking, defined the new consumerist mood with wir

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Sunday (7pm) there is a chaine to see
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his downtall Queen Elizabeth Hall, South Bank, SE1 (0171-960 4242). (5) THEATRE STORIES Short ken Campbell season of fall tales to cheer the spirits and amaze the mind National (Cottesloe), South Bank, SE1 (0171-928.2252) Opens tonight, 7pm in rep Unit November 1 (2)

**ELSEWHERE** CANTERBUHY The Mark Bruce Dence Company visits the Canterbury Festival lonight (Guilbenkan Theatre, 7 45pm) with a double bill of provocative contemporary dance: Helen, set to music by Bela Bartók and Angel. mspired by the music of the pop group Nevana, Tomorrow's festival highlight i a concer by the period instr band the Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment under Sr Charles Mackeras (Canterbury Cathedral Nave.



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godmother. So-so children's film, with Mara Wilson. Director, Michael Ritche 90) UCI White

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WEEKEND CHOICE

7.30pm) in a programme of Beethove and Schubert Feathwal Office (01227 452853). EDINBURGH. Scottish Opeta returns here for the first of three performances i lan Judge's acclaimed 1992 production of Belim's tragic mesterpiece, Norma, American soprano Frances Gineberg

sings the role of the lated chied princess Fectival Theatre, Nicolson Street (0131-529 8000) Tonight, Nov 4 and 8. 7 15pm (§)



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Karl Daymond (Jean) and Judith Howarth (Miss Julie) in William Alwyn's fine adaptation of Strindberg's drama

# Cold heat of August

ntil Wednesday, none of William Alwyn's four operas had pro-gressed beyond the recording or broadcasting studio, so the stage premiere of Miss Julie gave a tantalising indication of what we had been missing.

Miss Julie is quite possibly the finest work by Alwyn (1905-85), an "English Roman-tic" composer whose output includes five symphonies and more than 60 film scores, and once again the enterprising Theatre Royal, scene of this summer's Ring cycle, has recognised the good thing and seized the initiative.

Miss Julie has much to recommend it, not least August Strindberg's play. Several composers have set it, and

Elaine Kidd's restaging.

n creating an image of Peter Grimes

as an outsider destroyed by an

unsympathetic society, claims Mich-

ael Wilcox in his important new biogra-

phy of Britten, the composer and Peter.

Pears were deflecting attention from the

dark storm in Britten's own life. And in

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claims musical endorsement for

sion to his own libretto emphasises its suitability: the

drama moves quickly and incisively, with words tied closely to the music. Composed in the mid-1970s. Alwyn's unashamedly Romantic score may sound derivative, but even the obvious. influences of Puccini and Strauss are absorbed into a whole distinctive and strongly theatrical. Alwyn wastes no time in

plunging into the midsum-mer-night madness of the plot, and the opening scene is a hurtling scherzo. It suggests that with a lighter play, the composer might have written a good musical comedy. The

piece is infused with snatches of dance, and the vivid orchestration

captures the mood of Nordic summer. There is a strong erotic charge and energy in this demanding score, and the Britten Sinfonia coped admirably under Nicholas Cleobury's vigorous baton.
The production, by Benja-

min Luxon with Peter Wilson, catches the atmosphere and class tensions and etiquette very well. Andrew Leigh's design for the kitchen of the Swedish country house looks like something out of Ikea's rustic collection, but that probably means only that the furniture superstore did its research correctly. Evocative

wilful and tragic Miss Julie. Karl Daymond uses his rugged baritone well, offering a carefully observed portrait of the valet Jean. Fiona Kimm

lighting completes the staging: indeed, this four-hander

makes such modest demands

that it is surprising no one has taken it up before.
The Theatre Royal has

assembled a fine cast, with

Judith Howarth, in shining

voice, embodying the spoilt,

sings with excellent clarity as the cook Kristin, and Ian Caley makes his mark as the drunken gamekeeper Uirik. A good but not great opera. Miss Julie deserves to be seen more often. Catch the final performance tomorrow.

weakness that constantly undermines and erodes the considerable power built within the pit. Jeffrey Lawton reveals toolittle of the coiled inner anger, determination and viciousness of Gritnes. In visionary mode, the voice is only weak; in manic despair and terror, neither the voice nor the body seems on the rack. . David Barrell's Balstrode is lively and

physical ballast, while Amanda Thane's Ellen Orford simply lacks the vocal focus to articulate her music eloquently, let alone move us by it. The top of the voice is distressingly threadbare: one began to dread the appearance of the "embroidery" aria. Casting was more secure within Vaughan well nigh stealing the show as a

HILARY FINCH

### **Cinders** grunge

has usually had better huck with conductors than with directors, and its new production of Rossini's Cinderella opera on Wednesday turned into something of a battle between a first-rate musical performance and a staging that barely reached an acceptable level of professional competence.

Andrew Greenwood, the company's music director, found just about everything there is to be found in this " miraculous score - its wit, charm, boundless human warmth. He drew properly appreciative playing from his



willing orchestra and showed admirable consideration for

But it soon became obvious even during the overture that the best thing to do would be to switch off from Leah Hausman's production in grungy decor by Katrina Lind-say: if they were seeking to make a virtue of complete inconsistency of dramatic style, then they failed. Gobbets of Grimm have nothing whatsoever to do with Rossini, any more than do elements of the magic be so systematically expunged from the work.

tor and the opera at hand collided, notably in the case of Henry Waddington's Don Magnifico, a thoroughly Rossinian mixture of sadistic brute and ridiculous buffoon, and very neatly sung into the bargain. Eugene Ginty's bookish, shy Prince Ramiro worked well; he must be unique in singing Rossini tenor roles and Puccini's Cavaradossi, and will have to decide which direction to take. I hope he plumps for Rossini, and works on his top. 'Juliet Norman was made to

play a chippy, sulky Cenerentola. Her technique is formidable (again, the top needs work) and like all the cast she sings words, a thiblous virtue in that it cast an unkind spotlight on a translation ripe for retirement. Michael John Pearson (Alidoro) has a fine am aware ETO is not currently casting about for a Wotan. Matthew Hargreaves (Dandini) was also tempted to field more tone than necessary. Paula O'Sullivan and Lydia Marchione were the commonas-mud sisters.

But in the end, thanks to Greenwood, you came out of the theatre knowing you had heard a worthy account of one of the most humane and lifeenhancing of all operatic comedies, and that can't be bad.

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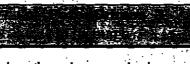
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admiration for its endurance. The rest is an emotional silence, partly because the staging is flawed: the substitution of the opening courtroom by the static, spotlit appearance of its characters, as if in a psycho-drama within Grimes's own mind, is dramatically impotent and inconsistent with the cardboard cut-out In this revival, though, the real weak-

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# File under girding of loins

Jimmy Nail is taking it easy this year he's only tackling enough work to buckle two ordinary men. Paul Sexton reports

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immy Nail knows that his reputation precedes him. He greets me at a London hotel with a cheery "Right, Paul, ou're the next one to be eaten alive." whatever the demons of a urbulent northeastern upbringing hat helped to create the image of the

nultimedia megalomaniac, Nail seems to have them under his thumb. The singer/songwriter/actor/prolucer/one-man media centre has mjoyed, for him, a low-key year, No. new television roles or movie projects, just an arena.

ire-breathing, journalist-munching,

our, a new best-of album and a couple of screenplays. It's the closest a workaholic such as him is aikely to come to taking a

"It's been a period of effection and assessnent," he says. "The inelatively calm 12 nonths. But you get ad-licted to being on the box and in people's living rooms, it's quite difficult

to step away from that. On the other schedules are becoming almost imrand, I found it liberating, in a scary kind of way. You're not sure what's xming next, but that's not too bad." In the dozen years after his small-

screen emergence in Auf Wiederseh-m, Pet, Nail's frenzied schedules produced the drama series Spender, wo series of that tangled tale of a country crooner. Crocodile Shoes, a inematic debut in Evita, and a rugely successful singing career. But vhen, late in 1995, his work schedule nearly blew a fuse, Nail knew it was ime for a rethink.

"I finished Evita on the Thursday evening and began the second Crocolile Shoes series on the Friday norning," he recalls. That was madness. For the first two or three weeks, I was calling everyone the wrong names. When I think about he way I used to work, I must have cen insane — 18-hour days, six, even davs a week."

When I visited him at his North London home in the summer. Nail was resting warily. "It doesn't come asy," he said then, "especially to a working class lad who carries the whole guilt-ridden work ethic scenaro, where unless you're out there figging a trench you feel like you're not doing something. But there are imes when leisure time is actually nore productive than being on the block and trying to create.7

Appearing in Evita gave Nail an insight into how the other half works. "I found it incredibly refreshing simply to be the actor for hire, to go in and be told what to do by somebody I greatly respect. If Alan | Parker, the director doesn't like something he tells you why, you do it again and then you leave and go home. It was tremendous. I hadn't done that since

Uncoincidentally, he has fallen out of love with the medium that made his name. "I felt I'd got really stale, and I didn't have anything really

special to give. I'm not interested in doing it just-for the sake of working in television. Everything's so pared down financially; there's no adventure, didn't have

So he is working on a brace of screenplays for feature films and considering a movie offer. "If I could, I'd work regularly in features, because you have longer to do less, he says. I'm used to doing episodic TV, and the

Meanwhile, Nail's musical life is coming back to the boil. The Nail File album collects the highlights of his sure-footed recording endeavours, starting with the sophisticated 1985 version of Love Don't Live Here Anymore that first suggested these were more than the part-time pop dabblings of an itinerant actor. Big hits such as Ain't no Doubt and Crocodile Shoes and stylishly reflective pieces such as Paddy McAloon's Cowboy Dreams and Nail's own Big River are the work of someone called music early, as a spotty fan of Motown and Stax, before acting took Next year will also bring a new

studio album, and the spring holds an enormous; 37-date On the Boards tour of Britain, so called as he is voluntarily scaling down to hall-size venues. "I got a bit suspicious of my own motives on the last arena tour. he says. There was something unsettling about the size of it. We sold the bigger halls twice and the management would much prefer me to do them because it's more costeffective. But I had such a good time when I was doing the city hall-sized venues. And I've never liked the idea of people travelling to see a band. The band should tour, not the audience." ● The Nail File is released by East: West



Jimmy Nail demonstrates his file, a witty visual pun and cunning plug for his new greatest hits album

# The kings of rococo'n'roll

Come on, then, Stuart Staples of Tindersticks, explain yourself and your air of doomed magnificence

There is a certain vocabulary that you employ when writing about Tindersticks: a cheap red wine, velvet worn through the nap; chipped gilt; dusty ball-rooms with cracked glass ceilings; demob suits; ashtrays domed and full in the foreground as bored, lipstick-caked strippers kick their sequinned knickers offstage in the background.

Even the sleeve of Curtains, their third album, speaks in Tindersticks vocabulary, It shows a swatch of fabric or wallpaper sprawled with roses - and not the vo-

luptuous, fat, scar-let woman-things of romance and erotica, no, but brown roses, dried and seemingly var-nished with nicotine. The sleevenotes are also worth perusing as, in the space where bands usually thank their mothers, their pub-mates and God.

Tindersticks note that they are outlitted by Timothy Everest of London". Bands who revere tailoring are to be trusted. They know the importance of detail, texture, fit and flow. So it's quite a shock to meet with Stuart Staples, Tindersticks' singer and lyri-

cist, and find that the 1990s

still honk and hustle outside the restaurant windows, and that Staples himself has a mobile phone placed squarely centre table. "My wife's due to have our second child any second now." he says, gesturing towards it apologetically. "I might have to run off and, um, stand around uselessly. I was there for the last one as well," he adds, rolling up a tiny matchstick of Rizla and tobac-

nary — iridescent aquama-rine, like insect's wings." The other shock on meeting Staples comes from the discovery that his voice is exactly as it

co, which flares and goes out

instantly. "The colour of the

umbilical cord was extraordi-

is on records: a hushed bass

rumble which slurs around the edges, like a drunken bear reading goodnight stories to a sleepy baby. It's inordinately soothing. My lids grow heavy and, at one point, I start to suck my thumb.

"It's a strange old voice," he says, relighting his cigarette and sighing as it instantly winks out again. "I don't really like it. I've only really wanted

Now, of course, Staples's voice is one of the most famous in Britain, thanks to Vic Shooting Stars "club singer"

round. Shooting Stars is so far removed from Tindersticks' world ! rather suspect Tindersticks Bakelite TV sets might not pick up BBC2we move on to the subject of the band's un Britishness. Their fluid passions seem rooted in Bra-

zil or Spain, while the faded glamour speaks of Berlin while the Wall was still up, or Paris's more neglected boulevards. "We're not part of that proud to be British' mental-

ty. Staples acknowledges. 'It's more of a means to an end. Our families are here, our houses and our children, but have to shout about. I feel I take something from each place I visit. We played recently in Stockholm, in the venue where they present the Nobel Peace Prize. It's this beautiful austere 1920s concert hall, and I went to look at it before the gig, and started imagining how we could play to suit the venue, how the architecture would aid the songs.

Tindersticks will never fade or wither in the fume-filled motorway of the charts. Rather, they will glitter and glow, like black rubies in the crown jewels of drunken adult symphonies.

● Tindersticks' new single. Rented Rooms, is released on Monday by Island Records

# Who says nobody could do it better?

DAVID ARNOLD Shaken and Stirred — The James Bond Project (East West 3984207382 £13.99).

ALTHOUGH David Arnold has composed film scores for blockbusters such as Stargate and Independence Day, he is probably best known as the writer of Björk's 1993 hit, Play Dead, which he incorporated in his soundtrack for the movie The Young Americans.

For Shaken and Stirred. Arnold has coralled a bevy of pop stars including Iggy Pop. Shara Nelson, Aimee Mann and Natacha Atlas, and set ... EVERY so often an act com them to work on a selection of themes and songs from various James Bond movies. The result is a volatile marriage of the conventional (Martin Fry's voicanic rendition of Thunderball; Chrissie Hynde's plodding remake of Live and Let Die) and the unexpected (a light techno makeover of Spacemarch by Leftfield; an All Time High by Pulp which is more Cocker than Bond):

Among the many highlights are a wonderfully kitsch ver-sion of Diamonds are Forever by David McAlmont, who out-Basseys the original, and a hurtling, block-rocking beats arrangement of On Her Majesty's Secret Service by the remix duo Propellerheads that is already a Top Ten hit.

Notwithstanding its merits as a drum & bass track, LTJ

James Bond Theme itself renders it unrecognisable as the piece of music written by Monty Norman, which has accompanied so many richly implausible action sequences. over the years. The original version is currently available on a new compilation, Themeology — The Best Of John Barry (Columbia).

LIGHTHOUSE FAMILY Postcards from Heaven (Wild Card/Polydor 539 516)

along that doesn't so much fly in the face of fashionable wisdom as glide straight over it. One thinks of Dire Straits rising from the aftermath of punk or Sade calmly sailing to the top while the New Romantic hordes were still doing their worst. Having quietly arrived with a serene, upmarket brand of British soul during the heyday of rancous, guitar-driven Britpop, Lighthouse Family displayed a similarly timeless appeal with their multi-platinum debut album, Ocean Drive, released in 1995.

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# **NEW ALBUMS**

The only problem is that having bucked the trend once. there is absolutely no incentive to interfere with a winning formula. So, for all its superrelaxed charm. Postcards from Heaven does have a rather complacent feel to it. Blessed with a voice that oozes soul quite effortlessly. Tunde Baiyewu rarely sounds as if he's operating at anything

more than quarter strength. Restless, with its lyric about Looking for my souls, hints at something deeper, and the title track has a breezy appeal. But overall, this album sounds just a little too suitable as wine-bar music for comfort.

CHRIS DUARTE GROUP Tailspin Headwhack (Silvertone ORE 548 £14.99) THE stumbling block for so many blues-rock guitarists

Be Here Now.

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TOP TEN ALBUMS

ROACHFORD who take Jimi Hendrix and Stevie Ray Vaughan as musical role models is their inability to move beyond the slavish

copying stage. Not so Chris Duarte, a sensationally gifted guitarist and singer from Austin, Texas. True, some of his own songs on his group's second album. Tailspin Headwhack, have a somewhat familiar ring, and he even rattles off an obscure

Hendrix instrumental called Drivin' South. But Duarte also has a tremendous feel for modern funk rhythms, harnessing B.B. King's standard The Thrill is Gone to a shuffling (programmed) beat and turning the old Meters song People Say into a powerful, razor-creased groove.

If you are at all tempted to buy yet another dodgy collec-tion of "new" Hendrix outtakes, it would make better sense to check out Tailspin Headwhack first.

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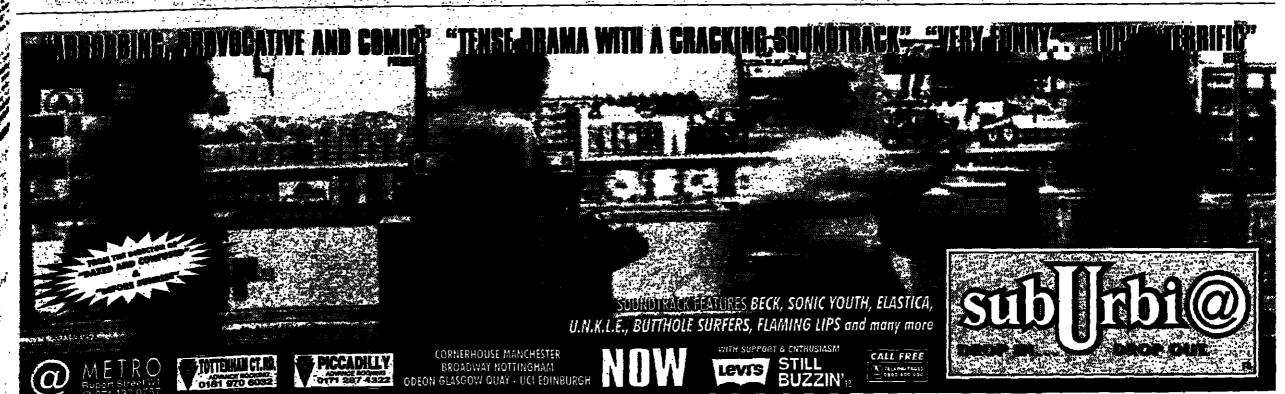
ONE of those artists who never seem to locate a natural constituency, Andrew Roachford virtually has to rebuild his career from scratch with every new album. Still, at least his record company has stuck with him, enabling the South Londoner and his self-named band to lavish the usual attention to detail on their fourth album, Feel.

As before, it is a strong thoughtful collection of songs that do not so much straddle the divide between British rock and American soul as fall This time, however, numbers such as The Way I Feel and Naked Without You have a distinctly acoustic ambience. giving the album a softer, more accessible feel than in the past and leaving plenty of room for Roachford's powerful voice to occupy centre

stage.
"Any way you ride/Got to pay the price," he sings in Nothing Free, and no one could dispute that Roachford has paid his dues. But while he-clearly has the talent and the songs, he still lacks the timing and impatient personality needed to be a much bigger star than he is.

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John Howson, below, on a new strategy to attract graduates and Kevin Berry, right, on the status of teachers

# Recruiting plan goes big screen

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career will appear on cinetime today. The advertisements. which feature Tony Blair and other leading figures, are the key element of the Teacher Training Agency's new recruitment strategy, which also features an award-winning exhibition stand with an internet site as a central feature.

In the present competitive employment market for graduates, the TTA is only catching up with techniques used by other employers. The Ministry of Defence, for example, has used TV commercials to try to recruit service personnel.

There may have been a growth in graduate numbers, but teaching still needs about 20,000 new graduates if there are to be enough teachers to staff the schools. This makes the profession the largest single recruiter of graduates.

There are some success stories to report. In the recruitment round for courses that started this autumn, applications from graduates wanting to train as primary school teachers exceeded all previous records, with over 13,000 people, mostly women, applying for the 4,000 or so places available.

However, it is a different story when it comes

to attracting would-be teachers to work in secondary schools. In many subjects, the number of applicants has been falling in each of the past four years. Many universities will have started the new term with vacancies on their maths and science PGCE courses despite the Government's decision last autumn to cut back on the number of places available.

In the field of design and technology, where industrial experience is often regarded as helpful for trainee teachers, the position is of even greater concern. When student numbers are counted later this month it is possible that little more than half the places on offer will have been filled. If there is a spate of last-minute dropouts the final figure may be even worse. Even in English, traditionally thought of as an easy-to-recruit subject, the figures are disturbing. Mainstream PGCE courses attracted only about 150 applicants for each 100 places and half the courses in England and Wales still had vacancies at the end of August.

Recruitment problems place the training institutions in a dilemma. Clearly they don't want to recruit potentially poor teachers, but they do need enough students to make a course viable. In the past they have probably erred on the side of optimism and recruited students who needed considerable support to turn into adequate teachers. A point confirmed, at least as far as languages students are concerned. by Ofsted in its evidence to the Teachers' Review Body.

With the drive towards quality in education started by the previous Government and continued by this one, admissions tutors may, in the future, decide to offer places only to those who will clearly meet quality re-

> In the short term, such a move would be likely to depress the numbers being trained as secondary teachers still further. In the longer term, it would help to raise the standard of the

However, for standards really to be raised, the Government needs to consider the link between economic reality and public sector pay. Put simply, the more people invest in their own education, forgoing the chance of earning now, the more they will expect a return on their investment at some point in the

As individuals are expected to pay for parts of their education, their attitudes are sharpened. Normally, that return is expressed in monetary terms by means of a higher salary, but that need not be the case. For women entering primary school teaching, it could be up" teaching. The profession offers



Tony Blair meets Eric Anderson, his former English teacher, whom he praises in the new commercial

with their children, either now or at some time in the future. There are also the intrinsic benefits of working with young children. Both of these reasons may go some way to explain the continued buoyant recruitment to primary school teaching.

Secondary school teaching does not seem to have the same appeal. Adolescence is not an easy stage of many people's lives and working with this group en masse every day, seems to be less popular as a career option. The Government seemingly has a choice in its support for the TTA's attempt to attract better quality entrants to secondary teaching as a career - it can pay more, or it can offer some other form of return to individuals to repay their investment.

The cheapest option is to "talk the chance to spend quality time an intellectually challenging career

with a developing career structure. More defined career paths and better induction procedures, now being developed by the TTA, will follow the introduction of training for senior staff through various schemes. There is also the promise of a General Teaching Council.

On the financial front the zero rating of fees from PGCE courses. from 1998 is good news but will take time to filter through to potential applicants. Salary levels in teaching are still competitive in many areas of the country but in London, when compared with fig-ures released by the Association of Graduate Recruiters earlier this summer, both starting amounts and possible earnings after five years are beginning to fall behind many other employment oppor-

There comes a point where teaching does not seem to provide

individuals with sufficient return on the investment they have made in their education. A knowledge-based society needs able graduates to staff its schools. Without such staff, it will also be more difficult to raise standards. Any shortage of teachers will be felt first and worst in the very schools that need the best teachers - those with the most challenging pupils. I started my teaching career in London during the recruitment crisis of the early 1970s. At that time many children were being taught by teachers without qualifications in the subjects they were teaching and teacher turnover was rapid. There is now a danger that they are reappearing

• The author, on education analyst, is writing in a personal capacity. Until-recently he was the Teacher Training

in London in the late 1990s.

# They all want to be teacher's pet In my part of Yorkshire a story just elite officeis often told when neighborefirst mest

first meet each other ... Windle was leaning over the hedge chatting to a neighbour who happened to be an accountant. Confused by a tax item, he asked the accountant for advice; the accountant gave it and then they changed the conversation to football or something equally flippant. Three days later, Windle re-

ceived through the post an item-ised bill — for the accountant's time and advice

That is an extreme example of

someone tapping into a neighbour's skill and expertise to solve a problem. Windle, poor chap, was a teacher and he had no expertise with which to barter, no expertise on which HURE A COURT TRAVIER
WHO WRITES THE
HATIONAL CORRY COLUMN? the accountant or any other neighbours

I remember thinking at the time that people never seemed to seek a teacher's advice. It was simply an education expert they had all been to two or three schools and they had been educated. In 20 years I cannot recall one in-

would place any val-

stance of a neighbour asking my advice about the education system or a problem with a son or daughter. They knew best.

If help was needed with an afterdinner speech or a complicated letter, they would ask me - not because I taught English but because I wrote stories and articles for a rural magazine. That skill allowed me to tap into the neighbourhood pertise grapevine.

I often despaired that teachers were not seen in the same light, and I mean class teachers and not

is Misioom Brooke, a wonderful reception teacher, who lived close by. She was remarkably unflappable, patiwas remarkanty unnappante, panent and capable of turning any screaming brat into a happy, cager, curious and calm child. When my own children came, I would always ask her about suitable books and games and play groups, but I was the only neighbour who ever did. bour who ever did.

Now things have changed, and the national curriculum is responsible. It might be irksome and irritating, but it has given teachers perceived expertise. Parents obviously have not experienced it and they haven't the time to read and

understand file after file of material. The expertise comes with a whole package of puzzling abbreviapuzzling tions and gloriously vague vocabulary: Don't understand it? Ask a teacher.

In the months be-fore I left teaching, the national curricuhum was sweeping in like a mill fire and the head teacher of my school arranged an evening to explain the NC and other bewildering new things to parents. The hall was packed as never before,

and the parents demanded more. When I now see Mrs Brooke at neighbourhood gatherings, she is being asked questions about edun: her expertise is being tapped into and that expertise has raised her status.

Windle is much happier. The accountant has asked his advice about enum revision books and even made an appointment with Windle. Will be send the accountant a bill? He's not saying.



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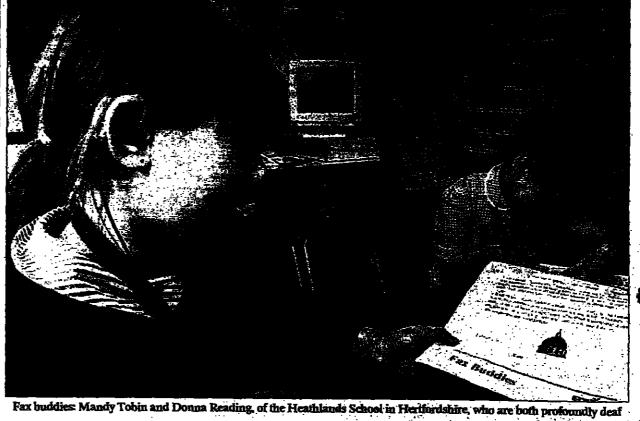
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# Message of hope from the fax

Pupils on school trips to France often fight shy of speaking to the natives, but become wildly enthusiastic once their first muttered words are understood. Teachers are gratified to see children who have yawned their way through lessons suddenly start working out sentences and looking up words.

A three-month experiment using fax machines to enable deaf children — whose first language is British Sign Language — to talk English to adult volunteers has produced similar results. From a stumbling start, children whose first faxes consisted of only two sentences suddenly

started turning out two pages of A4.
Nine-year-olds Mandy Tobin and Donna Reading, of the Heathlands School, St
Albans. Herifordshire, are both profoundly deaf and come from deaf families. Most of their friends are deaf. As the trial went on, they became confident enough to write to ask for an explanation when a promised picture did not turn up.

Their teacher, Sara Head, said: "It was highly motivating for them to get a fax back the same day. Knowing that someone at the other end would read their . letter, the children wanted to develop written English skills. It was also useful for them to learn to use the technology. The fax machine is one of the ways in which deal people will increasingly communicate with one another and with the outside world. One boy started to use his parent's fax machine at home to send messages to his unde. Fortunately, our

A commonplace machine is helping

deaf children

adult volunteers have promised to continue with the scheme; if not, we would have sought new volunteers from local firms." The eight schools that took part in the trial want to continue the scheme. About 1,000 faxes were exchanged by the 82 children, aged between seven and 16, and their adult "fax buddies" - volunteers from the National Association of Head Teachers, the BBC, the National Council for Educational Technology and BT. Teachers reported improvements in writing, grammar, spelling, handwriting, fin-ency, confidence and in readiness to try to communicate.

BT supplied the fax machines and produced a guide for the volunteers, explaining the need to keep sentences simple. Volunteers had to exercise some. ingenuity in making their messages easy to understand; some initially used difficult to understand; some initially used difficult vocabulary and complicated sentences. Fine I (I go to Paris). You will send me fax on 25 May to For example, the sentence I sent the on Jame 2 OK? For example, the sentence "I sent the message on to him baffled Mandy, who faxed back "Why you sent to me I read your fax said message on to him. I said I am not boy am girl." This missinder standing gave the teacher an opportunity

to discuss the grammatical probl The best fax buddles incorporated

sketches in their letters and asked simple questions to keep the conversation going. All the schools found that the length of the faxes children wrote increased during the life of the project. Teachers noticed growing independence in the pupils' approach

to writing.

The scheme proved liberating for Charlene Harrop, a teenager from Ashton-on-Mersey School in Cheshire, who started to use the fax to arrange shopping and social trips with a deaf friend.

Matthew James from the Deafex Trust, who helped to evaluate the scheme, said: With the fax, children are able to read messages in their own time and consider their responses. The pressure to reply to questions on the spot can be very discouraging. That is why the fax is such a useful starting point for young deal

Other educational benefits were clearer handwriting, development of a greater range of language use, increased vocabulary and a new enthusiasm for English. One girl's pleasure in receiving fancs shone through in her anxious message.

JENNY KNIGHT

A guide to setting up schemes with heari-impaired children smilli; to those with spe-and language difficulties is available it

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James Miller and Martin Stephen on starting science degrees at school

# Revolution in the classroom

Let bright

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e have a bizarre, even nonsensical situation in On the one hand, there is a national concern at the declining proportion of able young people opting for the pure and applied sciences at university; on the other, the trend towards a four-year MSc, MChem, etc (rather than a three-year BSc) as the norm is hardly likely to attract more students as tuition fees are imposed and maintenance grants withdrawn. On the one hand, universities are increasingly strapped for cash; on the other, they are looking to fund fouryear courses. On the one hand, universities find it difficult to attract

students are often far from stretched in their first year, while others, less academi-cally qualified, catch up. On the one hand, many university staff get little satisfaction from their teaching of basic first year content; on the other, there are teachers in schools and sixth-form colleges who both can and want to do so.

The answer seems obviof A level ous: let us enable bright and committed students to go beyond the constraints of A level at school and complete an MSc in in schools. three years rather than the normal

Such students would - either as an extension to their normal school work or through Saturday/holiday courses follow a course, controlled and validated by the participating universities that would allow them - with some flexibility at the university end as well - to join the second year of an MSc programme in those universities. (They would, of course, be at liberty to apply to others.) Most of the teaching would take place in "link" schools -centres of excellence - though some advanced practical work would have to happen in the universities. Apart from our own two schools, there are several schools of academic distinction and with the necessary facilities that are

very keen to act as such "link" schools and to run relevant courses outside normal school time.

Though these schools are all independent, this programme must not be the preserve of such schools; it must be firmly based in the community. All able and committed boys and girls from throughout the areas concerned must be enabled to take part; all the schools involved are determined to uphold that objective. Teaching would be done partly by volunteer staff at those schools, partly by staff from other schools, partly by university staff and partly, perhaps, by scientists in local industry.
In funding terms, such a scheme

able scientists; on the other, such would cost far less than a year at university, so a contribution is therefore made to the university funding crisis. The students gain a year and more able students should be attracted into the sciences. The participating universities gain more able students and can ensure a greater coherence between what is done before and at university. The teachers gain the chance to do really stimulating training — and that could encourage more scientists of ability to teach

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ence between what is done at school and at university will be of interest to everyone in higher education. Indeed. leading academics in other subjects are also showing such an interest.

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The relationship between schools and universities must be made more of seamless garment if quality and economy are to be guaranteed in the education of our graduates. Schemes such as this should be seen as only the starting point for a revolution in the way we view and deliver higher

• James Miller is Headmaster of the Newcostle Ruyal Grammar School and Dr Martin Stephen High Master of Manchester Grammar School.

# And Tinky Winky is my dance teacher

The Frofessor of Musical Theatre at the Royal me an intense look and ended my day-long audition: "Well, Tom, at your age some people are thinking of giving up, not starting."

Six months later, at the start of this term, I was sitting with 300 other freshers in the academy's full-size theatre, looking forward with some sense of trepidation to a year of singing, acting and tap-dancing in the musical theatre denartment. After a career as a journalist, I had become a mature student. So how come, sitting among the phalanx of fresh-faced teenagers, did going back to college feel like the most immature thing I had

My prospects of work in a West End show (or anywhere else) at the end of the course will depend on my competing with seasoned professionals as well as the thousands of hopefuls emerging from drama schools and singing acade-mies (most of them to a life on the dole). So why do it?

Three years ago, a road accident gave me an intimation of mortality. While I was cycling in London a young driver careered into me from behind at 40mph, throwing me 20 yards and breaking my arm, leg and a shoulder. "You're lucky to be alive," I was told, by more than one doctor. Recognising suddenly that life was too short I decided to fulfil an ambition of my teenage years. Carne diem. The announcement that I

was going back to "school" provoked an expression of horror on the face of my eightyear-old son, astonished that anyone should voluntarily choose such a course of action. Choice, of course, is the key.

Mature students are a pleasure to teach, tutors say, because they work hard, they are not just at college as the next thing to do after school. The accent on experience is reflected in the academy's staff, too. The course professor, Mary Hammond, is a voice consultant to the leading West End producers. The course leader. Karen Rabin-

owitz, is a freelance director

The smell of the greasepaint has

finally lured Tom Murphy



Murphy: midlife yen to be a song and dance man

and choreographer who does work at the Royal National Theatre. My singing teacher. Ken Woollam, still sees Elaine Paige and has also taught Glenn Close and Michael Ball. Best of all, my dance teacher is Tinky Winky in Teletubbies.

If a change of career or career enhancement is your aim when going back to college, the key is to pick the right vocational course and make contact with anyone who can help when job-hunting begins.

The students, some of whom sport a few grey hairs, come from all walks of life and nations: New Zealand, Scandinavia, Germany and the United States. Most have taken other music courses, one has been working as an operatic coach. Another has had to miss some classes because she has a pressing six-nightly en-gagement elsewhere - she is appearing in Miss Saigon at the Theatre Royal, Drury

The higher education system is well-disposed to mature students but shows a rather superficial grip in relation to

had to fill in that demanded my parents' names and addresses; my Young Persons' Railcard came with the breathless offer of discounts on 18-30 holidays; when I asked about benefits for students who were parents a pleasant young man at the student union confessed that he "hadn't had much call to deal with such matters". My National Union of Students card is handy for discounts. though, but I haven't used it yet because I keep forgetting

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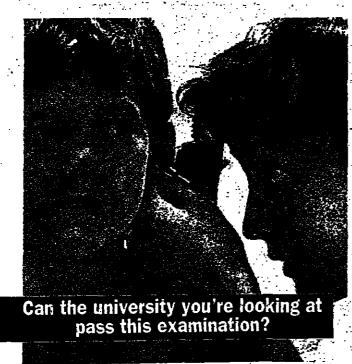
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that I am a student. Money is a fundamental worry. Music and drama sudents are basically on their own as far as funding goes, unless they have a sympathetic local authority, or can win a scholarship. A mature student who, like myself, has already taken an undergraduate degree and a master's has virtually no chance of local authority funding and is past the age when youthful promise will earn sympathy.

y course fees are £7,500 for the year. The compensation raving for from my accident is paying for those. Other students have gained scholarships or awards from the charitable trusts that sometimes help. One student, at the age of 36, went back to the old standby: his mum is

Career Development Loans available from a number of high street banks, including the Co-operative, Barclays, Royal Bank of Scotland and Clydesdale, can be used for educational purposes. The loan is underwritten by the Department for Education and Employment and interest and capital are repayable only after the course has been completed and earnings have reached a certain level. Mature students can also obtain loans from the Student Loan Company on a similar basis.

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# Dark clouds gather over Xaar

By Richard Evans RACING CORRESPONDENT

THE Dewhurst Stakes at Newmarket tomorrow is in danger of losing its billing as the best two-year-old race of the season because of doubts about the participation of Xaar - unofficially the top-rated juvenile in Europe.

The ground at Newmarket yesterday was officially good to soft and, unless it dries sufficiently in the next 24 hours so that the "soft" element of the going disappears, the Zafonic colt will almost certainly be pulled out.

The uncertainty prompted the Tote to suspend betting on the group one race and will have contributed to a sleepless night for Peter Player, chairman of Newmarket, as his racecourse prepares for its first Champions' Day. "It would be desperately disappointing if Xaar doesn't run because it looks to be the best Dewhurst for years."

Nevertheless, one can understand the caution being exercised by André Fabre and Khaled Abdulla, the trainer and owner of the Prix de la Salamandre winner. They re-Zafonic, the winner of the Dewhurst Stakes in 1992 before a memorable success in the 2,000 Guineas, failed on his only run on soft ground and his most celebrated son is showing the same dislike of

'Anyone is entitled to make a mistake once, but we must not make the same mistake with his son," Grant Pritchard-Gordon, racing manager to Khaled Abdulla, said yes-

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The Puzzler, nearside, prevails in a driving finish to the Olivier Douieb Memorial Handicap at Newmarket yesterday

ground on Monday and said afterwards he was not the same horse. We are anxious to run but we don't want to make the same mistake we did with Zafonic and run on anything like soft ground."

Although the times of yes terday's races suggested the ground was slow, Newmarket has deliberately saved a 30-yard wide strip of ground on the stands' side for tomorrow and Nick Lees, clerk of the course, believes that will offer a faster surface. While Newmarket needs a

3.10 BOLLIN JOANNE (nap)

won. (f. — Sine, good to "Rom, hand. G. — good S. — soft, good to soft, heavy). Ceiner in brackets. Traker. Agé and siglight. Rider plus any allowance.

DRAW: NO ADVANTAGE

the winners of the first six races yesterday were 20-1 (120l on the Tote), i6-l, 20-l, 20-l, 16-l and 33-l (123-l). In the finale, Zugudi, the 100-l outsider, threatened for a brief moment to continue the trend - but he could not peg back Santillana, a 6-1 chance hav-

change in the going, backers

are desperate for a change in

fortune. The starting prices of

ing his first race for 537 days. The most significant race of the afternoon involved the EBF Chesterton Maiden Stakes in which Albarahin,

reputed to be Godolphin's Derby horse for next year, and was sent off the 7-4 favourite. A good looking Silver Hawk colt, he was hollering in the parade ring but showed no signs of inexpe-

rience on the racecourse. Frankie Dettori had to tack over from a poor draw and looked set to win when taking up the running entering the Dip only for Border Arrow to swoop inside the final furlong lengths. Trained by Ian Balding and owned jointly by Bob Michaelson and Wafic Said, the Selkirk colt attractd a quote of 33-1 for the Derby, but Balding is far from certain he will stay 12 miles.

That will not stop Michaelson dreaming of what may be during the long winter months. He had been working nicely on the gallops with Ian's best and everyone supposedly had their best shots here," he said. "We had hoped he would run nicely into sixth or seventh — so this is a pleasant surprise."

# YESTERDAY'S

Newmarket

Going: good (good to soft in straight

Taunton

Going: good to firm

220 (2m II ndie) 1, Northern Dnams (A P McCoy, 11-8 lay); 2, Woodstock Wanders (7-1); 3, Brign Edipse (33-1), 11 ran 2, ric M Pipo Tote: £210, £1.70, £1.90, £3.50 DF £8 10 Tno £192.60. CSF: £10.22 Tricest £206.22.

2.55 (3m ch) 1, Danger Baby (A P McCoy, Evens tayl; 2, Decyborg (11-2; 3, Abavard (100-30) 6 rsn. 11l, 19 P Bowen, Tote. 51.90; 51.60, 52.60 OF: 52.90, CSF; 56.07.

# The Glow-Worm can take chance to shine in nursery

CHANNEL 4 2.05: Lucayan Indian impressed when flooring an odds-on favourite, Elhabub, at Newcastle last time and is open to considerable improvement. The well-made Indian Ridge colt stayed on particularly strongly through the final furlong and will be suited by today's longer trip. Abreeze had looked a useful newcomer when obliging at Sandown and would have sound claims if reproducing that form, but the Godolphin

runner disappointed here

two weeks ago, beating only one home. Sottvus won a

maiden in Italy three weeks

2.35. Despite having to shoul-der a 71b penalty for his Goodwood, Fahris looks the safest option. Ben Hanbury's colt had Amid Albadu and Green Card behind that day and, on his latest start, failed to stay 12 miles at Ascot. He won over course and distance in the spring and invariably runs his race. Green Card

should be suited by returning

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to a shorter trip and looks the biggest threat.

3.10: Any more rain would suit the mud-loving Snow Kid, who finished a good second behind Wizard King at the Curragh last month and races as though this shorter trip should suit. By contrast, the speedy Tipsy Creek would not want the ground too soft as he attempts six furlongs for the first time. Unraced this term

RICHARD EVANS

Nap: ROYAL CASTLE (L30 Newmarket) Next best: Lucayan Indian (2.05 Newmarket)

Hanbury's sprinter put up a fine performance on his second start here 15 days ago will rive

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and will go close. However, Bollin Joanne is the form choice judged on all her runs this term and she is ideally drawn next door to

Tipsy Creek. 3.45: Legend Of Love has a reasonable handicap mark after running three times over an inadequate six furlongs and looks sure to improve now that he steps up

to a mile for the first time.

Jeremy Glover, trainer of the

Pursuit Of Love colt, has an

excellent record at this track. However, the best form on show is possessed by The Glow-Worm, who finished a good fourth behind Lend A Hand at Doncaster five weeks ago. Barry Hills's Doyoun colt did not look totally at ease on the fast ground that day and will be suited by this surface, having won on easy going at the July course here. In an open race, Ben Rinnes, Generosity and Noble Demand can also be given a sound chance.

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# CATTERICK

2.10 Marske Machine. 2.45 Swan Hunter. 3.20 Hit The Spot. 3.55 White Emir. 4.25 Taufan Boy. 4.55 Territory. 5.25 Allinson's Mate. Our Newmarket Correspondent: 3.20 Odette

going: Soft (good to soft in places) DRAW: 5F-7F, LOW NUMBERS BEST

2.10 RICHMONDSHIRE NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-0: £3,460: 7f) (17 runners)

2.45 PLODMIRE WOOD APPRENTICE CLAIMING STAKES (\$2,229: 1m 31 214yd) (12)

9 (3) 0-00 PEEP 0 DAY 48 (V.C.O.G.S) J Eye 6-8-7 S Buckley (7) 50 (10 (5) 0040 STOLEN MUSIC 17.1 R Bas 4-8-5 ... lone Wands (5) 42 (12) E501 2/GGY'S VIOLA 27 (C.P.) Mis M Reveley 3-8-2

12 (1) 5 ALL GEFLS FORGET 21 J Sethell 3-7-13 C Lowther (3) 15-8 Sware Huntes, 7-2 Ziggy's Viola, 7-1 Hilizzis, 8-1 Welcome Lu, 10-1 Peop O Day, 12-1 Specalative, States Musec, 14-7 others.

3.20 EBF PROSPECT HILL MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-0: £3,672: 5f) (14)

(2-Y-U: £3,672: 51) (14)

1 (5) 0 ANSTAMO 42 Mr. J Ramsden 9-0 ... J Fortune
2 (10) 0 ASSIAMSEM 121 Bob Jones 9-0 ... M Wighten
3 (9) 0 REST OF OUR DAYS 13 C Thorston 8-0 E Johnson.
4 (5) 00 HOUSE ON FIRE 14 J Seny 9-0 ... T Locas
5 (11) 2 KILLARNEY JAZZ 11 J Wharton 9-0 ... T Locas
6 (2) 00 THE OTHER RISK 18 D Notan 9-0 ... P Fessely (3)
7 (7) 000 ARCHAR 20 J Seny 8-9 ... Y E Ductans (3)
8 (13) HIT THE SPOT W Haggas 8-9 ... F Lynch
9 (3) 23 ODETTE 9 M PLECOT 8-9 ... C Ductans
10 J-0 SAMLE CLOMA J L Hame 8-9 ... A Cultume
11 (4) 0 SCURRALIOUS 8 M Bell 8-9 ... A Cultume
12 (8) SHOCKEY W Haggas 8-9 ... In Hassen (5)
13 (12) USD ST LIJUSA 9 (8) 8 Media 8-9 ... M Tebbutt
14 (1) 00 WESTICURTI FILEY 20 M W Easterby 8-9 G Parkin (3)
14 (1) 00 WESTICURTI FILEY 20 M W Easterby 8-9 G Parkin (3)
15 40 Others 13-2 Ha The Sont 7-1 Aussand St Lucia, 8-1 Scartinus, Stocker. 5-4 Odette, 13-2 Hit The Spot, 7-1 Assand, St Lucia, 8-1 Scurffous, Strocker, 10-1 Killstony Jazz, Arjan, 12-1 others

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: B HBIs. 20 winners from 55 namers, 36 4%, P Waleryn, 3 Iron 10, 30,0%, B Pallon, 4 Iron 15, 26 7%, M Charron, 12 from 47, 25 5%, C Wall, 5 from 25, 200%, N Tinder, 6 from 32, 18.8%, Mrs. M Resealey, 20 from 112, 17.9%.

# 3.55 CROW HOLE BANK HANDICAP

(10) 0300 TREASURE TOUCH 28 (D.F.S) D No.

2440 BALLYMOTE 15 (D.F.) J Berry 3-9-2 ... P Fess 9000 PRIDE OF BROTON 17 (D.G.) C Territon 4-9-1 Paul 1 2000 WHITE BURR 9 (B.D.E.S.) B Meches 4-9-1 M To 4610 BEAU VENTURE 9 (D.F.S.) B Palmg 9-8-13

18 (20) 2505 PALLIUM 3 (3.D.F.S) D Nolan 9-7-10 Date Gitson 19 (1) 0206 PLYING HARDLD 12 (7) M Channon 4-7-10 F Norton 20 (2) 4000 KEEN TO PLEASE 109 (D.S) I Partes 3-7-10 6 Bardwell

6-1 Dominant Ar., 7-1 Kira, 8-1 Squire Corrie, Just Bob. Polty Golightly, 10-1 Pleasure Time, Passionalts, 12-1 others.

4.25 THIEVES GILL LIMITED STAKES

(2) 3450 FINESTATETOREM 20 (V) F Watson 4-9-1 P 12 (9) 5400 SUN ALERT 25 (0.F) M Polyton 3-8-6 ... J Tate 151 ... J Color 13 (4) 245 AERUNA 12 S (ABRINA 3-8-6 ... Paul Editor 72 ... J Color 151 ... J Color

7-2 Drig, 5-1 Rex Misroli. 5-1 Tastan Boy, 7-1 Prilatis, 8-1 Good Repotation, 10-1 Havana Heighis, Sun Alexi, 14-1 others. 4.55 SOUR BECK CONDITIONS STAKES

(2-Y-0: £3.178; 5f) (6) 1 (1) 3410 WH-SKY MACK 75 (BF.S) R Hanson 9-3 W J O'Connox 95 (5) 2051 PRIVATE SEAL 16 (D.F) 6 L Mone 9-1 ... A Clark 84 (6) 2052 PRIVATE SEAL 16 (D.F) 6 L Mone 9-1 ... J Forume 1981 (6) 32 TERRITORY 9 B Lews 8-11 ... Past Eddery 91 (2) 2156 HAPPY DAYS ARAM 31 (B.F.D.G.) J Whetten 6-10 R Mallen (5) 6 (4) 5041 RARE ROOSO 13 (D.) J Berry 8-10 .... C Lowetter (5) 77 (6) 5041 RARE ROOSO 13 (D.) J Berry 8-10 .... C Lowetter (5) 77 (1) 50 Final Private 11 Attention 12 Attention 12 Attention 13 (1) 50 Final Private 13 Attention 14 Attention 15 (1) 50 Final Private 15 (1) 50 Final Pr 15-8 Tenthory, 3-1 Asian Da, 4-1 Whishy Mack, 8-1 Private Seal, Happy Days Again,

5.25 CLOSE OF PLAY HANDICAP (£3,772: 7f) (17) 1 (8) PD1 SMOKEY FROM CAPLAW 40 (0.F.G.) J. O'MEN 3-10-0 (Seed 2 (2) 3500 HALOWING 38 (F) J. G. Smyth-Osbourse 3-9-12 C. Defined, 85

3 (17) 1184 RYMER'S RASCAL 13 (CD.F.S) E Alston 5-9-10

15 (4) 0056 MUSCATANA 10 (BF,DJ.5) B Hills 3-9-0 Peasey (3) 79
16 (7) 4800 GIPSY PRINCESS 21 (CD.F) M W Existing 3-8-11 G Parlin (3) 77
17 (12) 5005 BARRACK YARD 27 (BF,D) A Standal 4-8-9 S Withworth 66
6-1 Rymer's Rescal, 7-1 Smalley From Capitae, 8-1 Night OI Blass 10-1 Depreciate, Methylias, Kass, Albana, Messatasa, 12-1 others.

Drummond, 3,30 Odell, 4,05 Mr Strong Gale, 4,35

1.45 EBF NATIONAL HUNT NOVICES HURDLE (£2,360: 2m 1f) (10 runners)

2.20 FRIENDS OF ARTHUR ELLIOTT MEMORIAL NOVICES HANDICAP CHASE (£2,996: 2m 31) (9)

5-2 Rossell Island, 3-1 Mozene, 7-2 Storm Reb, 9-2 French Buck, 8-1 Indian Temple, 14-1 Prideaux Prace. 25-1 Kinesology, 33-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS JOCKEYS: 6 Supple, 3 winners from 9 rides, 23 3%. A P McCoy, 25 from 01 30 9%, C Lienellyn, 21 lron 77, 27 3%, B Fersion, 7 from 26, 26.9%, R Osseconty, 14 from 54, 25.9%, D Bndpester, 24 from 103, 23.3%.

BLINKERED FIRST TIME: Catteriolc 2.45 Raased, Peep O Day. 3.20 St Lizet, 4.55 Happy Days Again. 5.25 Night Of Glass. Hereford: 3.30 Signe Run, Par Of Jacks. 4.35 Nordic Breeze. Newmarket, 1.30 Amounting, 3.45 Zena. Moothyeb.

2.55 FOWNHOPE SELLING HURDLE

E1.0896; 27TI ST 11UyO) (13)

1 2P MY HARVINSO 57 (F.G) I Jones 7-11-4 Miss E J Jones (7)

2 0P-0 BRANDON BRIDGE 13 D Geography 6-10-12 R Supplie

3 PO GOLUMER ALEE 52 Miss M Rowland 5-10-12 P Misoley (6)

4 1/P- GRANSTOWN LACE 300 (S) A Barros 6-10-12 P Misoley (6)

5 0443 JUST FOR A REASON 9 (G) R Jackes 5-10-12 Say Lyons

6 054- SAAR 1-48 R Sator 6-10-12 V Stationy

7 542 THOMAS CROWN 9 M R Besty 5-10-12 I Lawrench

8 3-23 WEATHER WISE 12 667 W 6 M Terres 5-10-12 A Thomston

9 0-0 SAMS FIRE 25 M Bathage 4-10-1 R Thomston (3)

10 3606 MASGE STRAY 10 Miss A King 5-10-7 R Bustwoodly

11 -024 WOODLANDS SERREY 9 P Proceded 6-10-7 C Llevelope

12 CASHTAL LACE 108 B Levelope 4-10-6 M Scriffers (7)

13 250 MRS DRIMBROWD 36 6 McCoart 4-10-6 D Distyrutor

4 Weether Wise, 5-1 My Hennesdy, 7-1 Mrs Drummond, 8-1 Just for A Resson, i Weetber Wise, 5-1 My Herveesla, 7-1 Mrs Drammand, 8-1 Just Fox A Reason, Brogs Crown, 10-1 Seall, Woodlands Energy, 12-1 others.

3.30 OVREVOLL HANDICAP CHASE (£2,710: 2m) (6)

1 3341 FEMINICA 15 (D.F.G.5) P. Hodges 19-12-0 ... J. Hams (7) 2 /61- 0061. 200 (D.F.) Belley 7-12-0 ... Methad Bronzos (5) 3 USS3 SEGAM RAIN 8 (B.D.F.6) 1-07 (S.G. 6-11-12 Methad Bronzos (5) 4 3021 PAR OF AUGUS 15 (B.D.F.6) P folder 7-11-8 ... R Donwoody 5 068- REPLEX HAMBLES 134 J. USSOS 16-10-9 ... R Supple 6 44P3 DAWN CHAMES 24 (CD.F.5) H Usyans 11-10-5 ... A Magama 2-1 Oded, 11-4 Fermick, 4-1 Pair Of Jacks, 5-1 Refer Hammer, 13-2 Sigma Run, 7-1 Davin Chance

4.05 WOOLHOPE NOVICES CHASE (£2,879: 3m 1f 110yd) (9)

EZ.879\* SITI 11 (1970) (39)

1 - R13 PERSANI VEW 15 (BF.CD.F.G.S) K Balley 7-11-5 Mr R Waldey (5)

2 PPU- 8G-8G-8G-1200 J Mydina 7-10-12 ... S Curra:

3 0F-2 OAM26 SIZ-MO 20 GE.SI W Jords F-10-12 ... T J Jahryley

6 PQL HARP STRONG CALE 184 F.G.P Methods F-10-12 ... A Thomson

7 241. REDISAN DELEMAN 237P (5) P Albert 7-10-12 ... A Thomson

7 241. REDISANS 13 N J Possind 9-10-12 ... J Calloty

8 -23U CONNER-SLAVE 15 (5) P Bones 5-10-9 ... W Marsion

9 054 COUNTRY YORN 232 A P Jones 7-10-7 ... S MCNER

9 054 COUNTRY YORN 232 A P JONES 7-10-7 ... S MCNER

7-4 Mr Saong Gale, 4-1 Gower-Stave, 6-1 Person View, Double Actoeverment, 8-7 Danzig Island, Noddis Dillemma, 12-7 Country Town, 33-1 others, 4.35 HOLME LACY HANDICAP HURDLE

(£2,850: 2m 1f) (7) 

S-2 Depatchen, 7-2 Earlied, 4-1 Easy Listening, 8-2 Norder, Breeze, 11-2 Percy Brakthweite, 18-1 Goldingo, 50-1 O My Love.

# Februs 4%i 4th in Kinglisher Mill in 11/cm Ascot group ill states (good): previously beat Decart Story 6th 11/cm Ascot group ill states (good): previously beat Decart Story 6th 11/cm Ascot group ill states (good): with Green Card (7th better off) 6t4 3rd and Allanda (7th better 6th 6t4) 3rd and ill states (good or flori). Weet A Minute 21/d 3rd to Denish Attapsody in 13/cm Scoothood listed states (good or flori). Weet A Minute 21/d 3rd to Denish Attapsody in 13/cm Scoothood listed states (good or flori). Museuland 6th 6th 10 Crystal Hearted in 13/cm Franchist group ill states (good). Fatterfly 6th 4th to One So Wooderlud in 13/cm Newmarket group il filities states (good) in flim). FAMPIS tailed to stay 1% miles last time and with be hard to head . . . RACELINE FULL RESULTS SERVICE 168

# SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: S bin Suroor, 14 waners from 49 numers, 28.6%; J Glover, 3 from 17, 17.6%; D Loder, 15 from 90, 18.7%; J Gosden, 29 from 182, 15.1%; J Watts, 4 from 29, 14.3%; L Cumeni, 21 from 168, 12.7%; E Danlop, 5 from 41, 12.2%; C Well, 3 from 25, 12.0%; B Hills, 24 from 209, 11.5%; L Dettort, 55 from 363, 14.6%; R Hills, 24 from 185, 12.9%; T Sprake, 4 from 21, 12.5%; S Sanders, 7 from 58, 12.1%; K Fallon, 15 from 125, 12.0%; M Hills, 28 from 21, 12.5%; S Sanders, 7 from 58, 12.1%; K Fallon, 15 from 125, 12.0%; M Hills, 28 from 213, 11.6%;

# 3.10 BEDFORD LODGE HOTEL BENTENCK STAKES (Listed race; £13,288; 6f) (17 numers)

Cretan Gif 6/41 10th to Snadim in 61 Ascot group il stales (good in firm) with My Best Valentine (4th better cit) 84/61 12th and better cit) 184/61 12th and better cit) 184/61 12th and better cit) 184 last. Hower Soft Rose 31/41 7th to Custrate Cutter in 51 Longchamp group i stales (good to firm). Show Kid 23/61 2nd to Watand King in 71 Curraph group it stales (good to stal). They Creek 41 3nd to Dashing Bise in 51 Newmarket listed stales: (good vit. Bulbh. Loanne 24/31 3nd to Presingperformance in 51 Newhory 85ed stales (good to firm) with Croek Pool (2th worse cit) 33/41 4th, This y Creek (Iwask) 41/41 7th and Hower Golf Rose (1th worse cit) 12/115h. Plaster D'Amour 13/12 and to Bowdon Rose in 81 Newmarket Rifles handicap (good to firm) with Almasi (1th worse cit) 23/41 3nd, Prendis Ca (1th worse cit) 33/41 5th. -BOLLIN JOANNE was besten by a bad draw at Newbury, and can gate compensation

3.45 NGK SPARK PLUGS NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-0: £7,564: 1m) (28 nunners)

(3-Y-O: £6,212: 1m 6l) (14 TURREYS)

101 (7) 411002 (01MA 17 (8F,F.6) (Shebb A al-Matthorn) L Cornani 9-7 L Deltoni 97

102 (2) 138402 MITHAK 44 (7) (14 HUBBLE 17 (C.6) (P Head) C British 8-13 M J Grant 99

103 (14) 210005 ASSINFED GAMERLE 17 (C.6) (P Head) C British 8-13 M J Grant 99

104 (12) 2124405 THORNEY PARK 7 (D.5) (Aspetty Lodge Shed) J Davido 8-12 R Flanch (3) 97

105 (13) 0321152 PRINCESS TOPAZ 20 (D.F.6) (S brown) C Cycar 8-11 K Davido 8-10 J Retail 98

107 (13) 0321152 PRINCESS TOPAZ 20 (D.F.6) (S Crown) C Cycar 8-11 K Davido 88

108 (16) 0321152 PRINCESS TOPAZ 20 (D.F.6) (S Crown) C Cycar 8-11 K Davido 88

109 (19) 0-2102 RICHORD TRUE 108 (D.5) (Nex S McCarthy) J Jerton 8-10 T Cavido 88

110 (19) 0-2102 RICHORD TRUE 108 (D.5) (Nex S McCarthy) J Jerton 8-10 T Cavido 89

111 (13) 3623-01 HURGEL DAVICER 188 (S) (C Compt ) J Hotel 8-11 C C Robin 98

112 (S) 00-0152 JAWAH 13 (D.S) (Shelk A M Sabathy K Mehal 8-2 Martin Davys 87

113 (8) 83800 ANNOUNCSN 16 (V) (S Standardge) J Sosion 7-11 J Caving 93

100 bandister Zhelh 7-3 Kinna 27ti 2nd in Solo Nio in 11/tm Nesmarket handicap (good to firm) with Assured Gambles (4th better off) 7/ki 5th. Mishak, raced amended 11/km York (2011). Mishak Pink 85ki 3rd to Calestial Choir in 11/tm York (2011). Mishak Pink 85ki 3rd to Calestial Choir in 11/tm York Innhad states (2011). Princess Topaz 31ki 2nd to Jasser in 2m Ascot handisap (good in 11/tm York Innhad states better off) 93ki 9th. Royal Castle heat Ordaksed 7i in 11/tm Redcar handicap (good to firm). Foreign Rule best Thornty Park (8th better off) 11ki in 11/tm Haydock handicap (good to firm). Foreign Rule best Thornty Park (8th better off) 11ki in 11/tm Haydock handicap (good to soil). Rheithold 11ki 2nd to Kebrrian m 11/tm Thissk handicap (good). Dovedon Star neck 2nd to Secral Ballot in 11/tm Hotologham handicap (good). Jawah neck 2nd to Chishen's Choice in 11/tm Notingham handicap (good) to firm). Zibeth best Seattle Smang XI in 11/tm Goodwood handicap (good to firm) with Royal Castle (5th better off) 11 4th

SETTING: 8-1 Noble Desired, 8-1 Res's Pet. Robosmi, 10-1 Mansajera, Mineta, 12-1 The Glow-Worm, 14-1 others

Accordately 31 2nd to Optimistic in 77 Yeak runsery (good) with Lendic (3th better off) 121 7th The Grow-Wordh 43 3rd to Lend A Season 15 554 4th, Monasser (same terms) 75 5th, Tensitis (same terms) 15 5th After The Rain 37 4th 13 to Close Up in Im Ponteinat mistien, (good to firm). Natural 15 th and 15 th 15 t BEN RINNES, well suited by soft ground, should go well in an open contest

4.15 EBF SNATLWELL MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-0: £6,391: 6f) (20 runners)

SETTING: 9-4 Aut, 5-1 Street, 7-1 Golden Repriment, Solendid Isolation, 8-1 Party Rock, 10-1 others. 1990: BAKED ALASKA 8-9 D Harrison (23-1) A Stewart 22 cm

Discrete 8% 6th to behand to 6t Soodwood maiden (good).

Golden Reprimand 9% 8th to Tamarist in 6t Soodwood maiden (good to firm). Nauffied Warning 188 9th to Arctic Ar in 71 Apr maiden (good to soft). Shart 8½ 2nd to Fleetwood in 71 Haydock maiden (good) Spiterolid isolation. Hermitage coil, first had of an unitable mark. Suprise Present 171 6th to Caagsteel in Meumanist maiden (good). Aut neck 2nd to Wends is 6t Accol states (good to firm). Fairy Rock, Feiry King 18ty, half-sister to useful fiel and burdles winner Home Counties. Ribbleschale, Korthem Park (illy, half-sister to 71 winner. Taidld. ATUF has a fine chance to record her first success

4.45 NEWMARKET CHALLENGE CUP (2-Y-0: 71) (3 runners) SETTING: 5-4 Sines Liebet. 13-8 (by Which, 3-1 Highly Prince).

1996; SCHEAK 8-9 L Debon (2-5 ter) J Gestles 3 ran Dog Watch (%) 9th to Sty Roctest in 61 Nottingham maiden (good to limm). Green Jacket 181 10th to Carry The Flag in 1m Warwick oursery (good to limm). Highly Pleased, Hoosel cold, first toal.

(5-1): 4, Persiano (4-1 tay): 17 ran, NPE Demier Croise, 11, 141, P. Evaras, Tote: 225.80; 24.00, 63.50, 61.50, 62.00. DF: 6200.70. Tric: 6465.00. CSF: 6423.70. Tricast: 62.727.28. 3.10 (57): 1, The Puzzler (M Hills, 20-1): 2. The Gay Fox (11-1): 3, Anselbren (8-1): 4. Contras Cellidin (14-1): Gastic Scorm 9-2 tay 18 ran Shind, Ind. B Hills, Toter 514.50; 64.80, 62.20, 02.60, 64.40 DF: 6137.80. Trict. 6722.90. CSF: 6207.52. Thoast: 61.823.87.

Consort (c-1). A Master Bavelad and Mount Holly 6-1 8-tave 30 ran. Ns. 34. R Whitaker. Tota: £22.20; £6.80, £62.20, £2.50, £5.80. DF: £158.80. CSF. £441.83. Tincast. £4.172.87. Tho: £3,078.60 (part won Pool of £2,601.69 carried lorward to 3.45 Newtrastes today).

187.07.
4.50 (1m.2) 1, Santillana (I. Detton, 6-1); 2, 20.00.01 (100-1); 3, Santimore Crambray (7-2), Silverani 7-4 fav. 7 fan. 41, 154 J. Goaden, Totar £420; £260, £640, DF-£116.20 CSF; £248.12. Jackpot: not won (pool of £20,735.50 panied forward to Newmarket today).

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Going: soft, good to soft in pleases
2.10 (St) 1, Refined (K Darley, 2-1 law); 2,
Carol Singer (8-1); 3, Summerseet (12-1)
10 ran, 37, 51, Lournant, Tote 12,80; 21,40,
25.50, 23.80 DF: 29.00, Tho: 561,70, CSF:
C18 48 Trosast: £15.0 14.
2.45 (St 212yd) 1, Robin Goodfiellow (J
Caroll, 5-1); 2, Easter Ogil (3-1); 3,
Implicitly (B-1), Palmento Bay 9-4 law 8 ran
NR: Pelagro 2-91, 291, P Washeys, Toter
C2.40, £1.20, £1.60, £2.00 OF: £3.20, Tror
C38.00, CSF- £18.51
3.20 (1m 32.14yd) 1, Alakkdar (S Whiteworth,
9-1); 2, Back, Row (4-1); 3, Artestly (13-2,
Predesh 2-1 faw 12 ran, 8, 2, A Stewart
Tote £10.20, £2.50, £1.70, £2.70 DF
C11.90, Tror £55.30, CSF- £43.00,
9.51) (1m 71.17yd) 1, Jazz Track (R Harkin,
9-21; 2, Sac Mad Bad (10-1); 3, Robbo
(4-1), Vicka Romara 6-4 law, 6 ran NR.
Spowitz, H.; 114, P Crappie-Hymn, Tote:
£5.70; £3.00, £1.90 DF: £19.40 CSF
£43.03
4.25 (7)) 1, Schooling (K Darley, 6-5 law); 2,

CS70: £3.00, £1.90 DF: £19.40 CSF £43.03

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# David Powell on the Briton about to defend her Chicago Marathon title

# Sutton taking the Windy City by storm

things. For Marian Sutton, the benefits did not stop with her arrival home last year, when she found the local mayor waiting in her front room with a bouquet, or with tickets to attend a gala athlet ics night at the Park Lane Hotel, or with a lucrative deal to appear in the London

Chicago adores its marathon champions and, not wanting to wait a year before seeing Sutton again, sent her an invitation to return in June to help to promote the marathon and compete in the Hard Rock Cale five-kilometres road race. Oh, and would she like to throw the first pitch for the White Sox in their baseball match against the Minnesota

Paul Evans, Sutton's fellow Briton, who had won the men's Chicago Marathon title. was also asked to pitch, but declined. Not Sutton, daunting though the prospect was. When the part-time solicitor's secretary from the Cornish fishing village of West Looe lines up to defend her title here on Sunday, she will not be as nervous as she was when she walked out to the pitcher's mound before 25,000 spectators at Comiskey Park.

However, everything Sutton does in Chicago seems to go right. Not only did she win her road race but, according to Chris Hartweg, the Chicago Marathon media director, she did such a "wonderful job" pitching that she received an ovation. "She reared back. threw it and made it 60 feet to the home plate on the fly [without bouncing]," Hartweg

The distance on which Sutton's sights are fixed this weekend is somewhat longer: 26 miles 385 yards. If she is optimistic about winning, it is because her form has been even better than it was before the Chicago Marathon last year. People have begun to wonder if she ready to displace Liz McColgan as Britain's

No I woman distance runner. Few think she is, but the challenge is in place. Five weeks ago, Sutton finished



Pounding the beach: lack of adequate facilities in West Looe means that Sutton has to use the Cornish coastline for training purposes

prize-money and bonuses and

that, together with her in-

creased market value, might

have persuaded her to give up

work. Living in West Looe is

hardly ideal for an interna-

tional runner and, as if being

remote from training partners

is not disadvantage enough. limited street lighting forces

clear not only of McColgan but also of Derartu Tulu, the world cross-country champion, in the Great North Run half-marathon, setting a personal-best time of 69min 41sec. Then, two weeks ago, in the Great South Run ten-mile race, Sutton pressed McColgan into a lifetime best of her own. McColgan won in 52:00, Sutton improving by almost 40 seconds to 52:15. Both times. she finished second.

In between duels with McColgan, Sutton won a tenkilometre race in another personal best, 32:38. There is no McColgan for Sutton to race against here, the Scot opting for the Tokyo Marathon on November 30, but the elite field includes six athletes who have achieved something she never has, a sub-2hr 30min marathon. That does not include the latest rising Kenyan, Lornah Kiplagat, Aged 23, Kiplagat trains with Joyce Chepchumba, McColgan's

London finish last April. it all went horribly wrong for Sutton in the London Marathon because she was "so obsessed" with breaking 2hr 30min. She finished twentieth in 2:35.45. "I got it totally wrong in the way I was thinking," Sutton said.

'People are asking if she can replace Liz McColgan as the British No 1'

Last year. Sutton's measured approach here paid off and she became only the second British woman this decade, after McColgan, to triumph in one of the main commercial marathons. She trailed Kristy Johnston by half a minute in the 24th mile but timed her run perfectly for a personal best 2:30.41. Her victory was worth \$43,000 (about £27,000) in

her to run repetitive loops on winter nights.

The option to give up work and train by day has not been taken, though she has cut back from a five-day to a four-day week. She fears the boredom of "sitting at home waiting to go for another run". However, block training spells of two months at a time in New Zealand and the United States have proved so beneficial that

she is wavering. "I am undecided about working because the concentration of training has made a difference," she said. "In the winters, I struggle because of the lack of facilities. I am going to have to restruc-

Having Mondays off has enabled Sutton to recover from long journeys back home after Sunday races. "I used to miss Monday morning training a lot because of the travelling, she said. "I was too tired to get up and go before work."

Aged 34, Sutton is an impos-

ing 6ft. Although some have suggested that her height is a disadvantage for a marathon runner - Joan Benoit-Samuelson, the former Olympic champion, among them -Sutton has never let that worry her. This woman from a tiny Cornish village will form a big presence in the Windy City on Sunday. Nobody here is betting against her blowing the



Sutton runs to victory in

# Nicol and Harris pool resources

FROM COLIN MCQUILLAN IN ALEXANDRIA

MUCH may be learnt here this week about the benefits of bringing squad psychology to the highly individual business of professional squash

Peter Nicol, of Scotland, and Del Harris, of England, drew support from the management and coaching expertise of Neil Harvey and David Pearson, the men behind England's team successes in the junior and senior men's world championships over the past two years, to reach the semi-finals of the Egyptian Open. But two of the most individualistic players emerged to bar their way to the final today. Nicol, 24, of Invertire, who

has risen to world No 3 with Harvey as his personal men-tor, was scheduled to meet the world champion, Jansher Khan, whom he deleated the last time they met in the final of the Al Ahram International, in Egypt, last June.

Jansher speeds around the world with his friend and cousin, Mehboub, always going home to Peshawar beween tournaments and usually in dispute with some part of the game's authorities. At nt he is refusing to defend his world title in Malaysia next month because of legal problems in that country

emice marce over child maintenance for his. seven-year-old son, Kamran. While Nicol was tidying away Simon Parke, of England, 11-15, 15-8, 15-7, 15-12 in a

73-minute quarter-final --after which he was as sympathetic about Parke's tiredness late in the game as he was pleased with his own relaxed performance - Jansher battled through 83 minutes of noise to overcome Ahmed Barada and his Egyptian fol-lowing 10-15, 15-6, 15-13, 15-12 Harris, 28, with Pearson in

his corner, defeated Julien Bonetat, of France, 15-13, 15-5, 15-8 to reach a semi-final against Jonathon Power, 24. from Canada, who has shaken up the PSA World Tour this year with his humorous and inventive front-court play.

Power, who likes to embarrass his opponents with delay and deceit as much as to defea them for ranking points, has so far this year managed both ambitions three times each against Nicol and Harris. closing them out of the French, Hungarian, US and Hong

Kong events.

A breakthrough against the Canadian might trigger in either British player queries about the effectiveness of the traditional lone warrior ap

# Fitz-Gerald win leaves room for improvement

SARAH FITZ-GERALD, the defending champion, and Michelle Martin, her main rival, swept into the quarterfinals of the women's world championship in Sydney yesterday and remain on course to meet in the final.

Fitz-Gerald, the top seed. and her Australian compatriot, Martin, the No 2 seed and riple world champion, were hardly tested as they made short work of their opponents. Fitz-Gerald beat Robyn Cooper, also of Australia, 9-3, 9-3 9-6, but said that her opponent had exposed some weaknesses in her game.

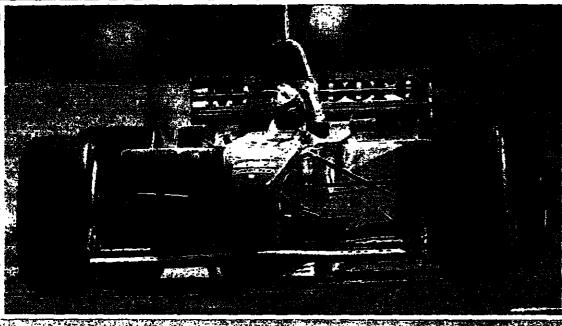
"Robyn is a talented player and she figured out a few ways to play me," Fitz-Gerald said. "It made me think of a couple of things to fix up in my game and I will work on that before my match tomorrow." Fitz-Gerald plays Suzanne Horner, the No 8 seed from England, next.

Martin disposed of Leilan Joyce, of New Zealand, 9-5, 9-3 9-0, though she said that she had struggled to adjust to the Perspex court after a rest day during the split first round. She will play Sabine Schoene, the No 7 seed from Germany, today.

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Improvement from starting grid to finishing position (3 points for each improved place): J Verstappen 21 points; D Hill 15; HH Frentzen 12; P Diniz 9; R Schumacher 9; M Schumacher 3; J Alesi 3; J Herbert 3; G Fisichella 3. Fastest lap time of grand prix HH Frentzen 10 points. Penalty points incident resulting in a driver being made to start from back of grid or pit lane (10 points deducted): none. Did not finish the race (10 points deducted): D Coulthard -10 points; R Barrichello -10; M Salo -10; O Panis -10; U Katayama -10; S Nakano -10; T Marques -10; J Magnussen -10. Not starting after qualifying (10 points deducted): G Morbidelli -10 points. (G Morbidelli qualified in 18th position on the grid but did not take part in the race due to his accident in the qualifying session.) Speeding in

CONSTRUCTORS: Finishing points (scored for the first car only in the top 20 positions at the end of every grand prix): Ferrari 30 points; Williams 25; McLaren 23; Benetton 21; Sauber 20; Jordan 19; Arrows 15; Tyrrell 13. Penalty points incident resulting in a car being made to start from back of grid or pit lane (10 points deducted); none. Elimination of a car during the race (10 points deducted): Prost -20 points; Minardi -20; Stewart -20; McLaren -10; Tyrrell -10. Not starting after qualifying (10 points deducted): Sauber-10 points. Speeding in the pit lane (5 points deducted): none.

the pit lane (5 points deducted): none.

With up to 600 bones points available in next Sunday's European Grand Prix for the managers who correctly predict the first three drivers to cross the finishing line, the race for our £25,000 top prize is still wide open. Printed below are the results of the Japanese Grand Prix. Heading our leaderboard is A Bradley of Godalming, Surrey: His team, Slickhead 3, scored 746 points at the Japanese Grand Prix to take his cumulative. score in the competition to 11,963 points. Hot on his tail. in second position is I Dowty of Reigate, Sufrey, His ; team, Dow Jones 2, scored 723 points in Japan to take his total to 11,952 in the competition. D Shepherd of Montrose, Angus (Raith Rovers FC, 11,860 points); M Wood of Bromley, Kent (Wood Racing, 11,860 points) and P Watley, East Wittering, W Sussex (Team UDO) 11,732) are all poised to take advantage of any slip-ups at

the European Grand Prix:P Lands of Beckenham, Kent wins a trip for two to next year's British GP. His team, East Forward, scored 796 points in Japan. C. King of Rochester, Kent wins a Sony PlayStation and CD-Rom game. His team, Colly Cats, scored 796 points They were selected at random from all managers who scored 796 points at Japan

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# Pool Saint-Andre returns to captain France

By MARK SOUSTER

TO SOME they may be over-paid and over here, but the France selectors yesterday showed that they malice towards their international players who now play in England. By naming Philippe Saint-Andre, Thierry Lacroix and Laurent Cabannes in the side to play Italy in the opening match of the Latin Cup in Auch, France, tomorrow. France have shown a realism that has not always been evident in their selectorial policy.

Saint-Andre, now part of an increasingly cosmopolitan Gloucester side, returns as captain for the first time since being injured against Romania last year. Although he made his international comeback in the defeat against Italy in March, he now replaces Abdel Benazzi as captain.

While Saint-Andre's recall was always probable, those of Cabannes and Lacroix, of Harlequins, were less so. Lacroix, 30, won the last of his 38 caps against Ireland at Parc des Princes in February last year, while Cabannes, 33, last played against Wales in Cardiff a month later.

Cabannes comes in at openside in place of Olivier Magne, considered by many to be the outstanding player of the five nations' championship this year while Lacroix is at fly half, ahead of Alain Penaud. Pierre Villepreux, the assistant coach, said that Christophe Lamaison would be the placekicker, freeing Lacroix of the responsibility. "We don't want to weigh him down," Villepreux said. "We want him to organise the game as he has been doing for Harlequins this

Lacropy's partner at half back will be Fabien Galthie. who is preferred to Philippe: Carbonneau, the Brive scrum half, who was involved in the

fracas with Pontypridd in the

Heineken Cup. Lacroix's Harlequins cofleague, Keith Wood, trained with the club yesterday and was named as captain for the league game away to Richmond tomorrow, despite reports from Ireland that he had been advised to rest and take a blood test because he was run down. Wood said yesterday that there was nothing wrong with him and that the blood test was a routine club matter because he had felt lethargic.

"I told Pat Whelan the Ireland manager! that I would not be training with the inter-national squad on Wednesday because I was feeling a bit run down and wanted to recover my energy," Wood said. "I am not ruled out of anything. I didnot train with the club on Tuesday because I had a back niggle, but I can assure you there is no problem and no story."
With the Heineken Cup put

on hold for a fortnight, the disjointed league programme resumes this weekend. Bristol, who have lost both their opening games this season, innot relish the prospect of a derby against Bath. Alex Poole makes his debut at prop forward for Bristol, while Phil Adams and Craig Short re-place Jim Brownrigg and Richie Collins respectively:

Frano Botica, the Llanelli fly half, has withdrawn from Croatia's World Cup qualifying match against Romania on Sunday because of a shoul-

# Blair fits the bill for club and country

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Mark Souster meets

the coach who aims to take England and Bath to new levels of

physical attainment

mong the many overslipped into the English game this season, the most astute signing could prove to be a craggy 63-year-old grandfather from New.

On the surface, Jim Blair, who joined Bath this summer as fitness trainer, appears an unlikely health guru. For a start, he smokes incessantly. It is not so much the man, however, as his methods and track record with Auckland and the All Blacks that have ensured that Blair is considered a doyen of fitness coaching.
It is also why Clive

Woodward, on being appointed England coach, wanted him involved with the international squad. The pair worked together only briefly at the Recreation Ground but Woodward was sufficiently impressed that he insisted that Blair came on board on a consultancy basis, starting last month, through to the 1999 World Cup. He made an instant im-

pression on the polyglot squad at Bath, where the training regime has radically altered with new ideas and structures put into place. Parachutes, sleds and hurdles are now part and parcel of the schedule. He is unbelievable - in a different class," Andy Nicol, the Bath captain, said. Blair left his native Glas-

gow 35 years ago for a new life in New Zealand, armed only with a physical education diploma, six years' experience as a physical education instructor with the Royal Air Force, £11 in his pocket and a head full of ideas. He admits it is ironic that

he, a Scotsman by birth, is now helping England's cause and that life, as it often does, has come full circle. He emigrated to escape the stuffiness and strictures of Britain but has returned, albeit temporarily on a two-year contract, having made his name



Blair works on strengthening the leg muscles of Nigel Redman, the Bath lock

Down Under. During his 15-year tenure with Auckland, where he revolutionised modern fitness coaching, he enjoyed unmatched success; only six games were lost out of 300. He worked with the All Blacks in the 1987 World Cup and has also lent his expertise to Western Samoa. Fiji, and Australia His avuncular air masks a

man of steely disposition. "I am very demanding - I am used to being with winners." Blair said. "I am not used to losing and I have no intention of getting used to it. The one thing I cannot stand is dishonesty. I will trust players to have done the work; if I find I can't trust them, they and I

ional rugby. Blair is convinced that the The system here is a

think may be too many. Martin Johnson could play 47 games. It is a huge load. It is not fair to players. You are misusing your assets, which are the players. You have to look at the number of games. Sit down and start with the word excellence and then work backwards asking, 'how will we achieve this?" His own theories and phi-losophies were first put into practice with the New Zea-

splendid recipe for mediocrity. A top All Black will play a

maximum of 35 top-class games a season, which we

land elite under-19 squad in Christchurch, work that brought him to the attention first of Alex Wyllie, the Canterbury coach, then John Hart at Auckland and finally Brian Lochore for the 1987 World Cup.

When I first watched rug-by teams train, they all did the same thing; went for runs and used one ball. When I

### 'You must start with the word excellence and work backwards to achieve it'

started with Canterbury. I asked Grizz Wyllie for 16 balls. He said there weren't that many in Christchurch. I told him we had to do it my way or not at all. He eventually agreed. I couldn't under-stand how players were expected to handle and run and be deceptive on a Saturday, if that was the only time in the week that they

Mutual trust lies at the core of New Zealand rugby, which translates into what Blair describes as "mateship". He said: "They talk a lot about being in the dressing-room at the end of a game and being able to look each other in the eye - they really mean it. The All Blacks are a very emotional group of men; they may not show it, but they really get emotional about the game. They care about not letting their mates down." If he can help to engender that spirit, then New Zealand's loss will be England's gain.

# Hallett predicts further conflict

BY DAVID HANDS RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

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TONY HALLETT, one of the central figures in the longstanding dispute between officers of the Rugby Football Union (RFU), believes that the battle between the sport's traditional authorities and the leading professional clubs is

far from over.

Hallett, who resigned as secretary to the RFU in August, said in an interview with the magazine, Rugby News. "England's owner-backed clubs need more space for self-determination. greater delegated opportunities and a general freedom. But I don't think that is consistent with what the new regime at Twickenham wants.

Hallett's resignation became inevitable after the July annual meeting that voted so firmly in favour of retaining Cliff Brittle as chairman of the management board. But he remains convinced that the union was right to reach the contentious agreement with BSkyB (the satellite television company part-owned by News International, owner of The Times), in defiance of the other home unions, and that television rights remain central to a healthy future for the

"I can't see that clubs with serious investments in them will accept the present situa-tion when they think how it is in football," Hallett said. "For example. the international Rugby Football Board has set the regulations that say only governing bodies may investigate broadcasting rights. I think they're wrong and I think European law will demonstrate that. It seems absolutely restrictive practice and any governing body must be very aware of its position in law. Because the challenge will come, that is for sure, from this country if not from

Hallett's views are expressed in a month when several leading clubs are showing signs of financial distress and in a week before Channel 5 will confirm details of a weekly rugby programme, to which the clubs substantially.

**SNOOKER:** FORTUNE FAVOURS FORMER WORLD CHAMPION IN GRAND PRIX

# Deserving Parrott takes pot luck

By PHIL YATES

SUBSCRIBERS to the theory that good fortune in sport is equally distributed in the long term would have viewed John Parrott's 5-I victory over Drew Henry in the second round of the Grand Prix at Bournemouth yesterday with considerable interest. When the pair met at the

corresponding stage of the British Open last season, Henry admitted that he had enjoyed a benevolent run of the balls during a surprise 5-3 win. On this occasion, the roles were reversed as all the luck favoured Parrott. Henry's first setback arri-

ved in the opening frame. He needed to pot the pink to lead 1-0 only to go in-off and Parrott sank pink and black. Worse still for Henry, Parrott fluked the last red in the fourth frame clearance to lead 3-1.

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age of the second

run the last time we played 1. had no qualms whatsoever about having the odd fluke, Parrott, who impressively accounted for the closing two frames with breaks of 64 and 116, said. He now faces Brian Morgan.

Peter Ebdon, the No 5 seed, became the third member of the top 16 to be eliminated. The 1993 champion lost 5-3 to John Birch, of Middlesbrough, yesterday after leading 3-2.
Ken Doherty, who broke

Stephen Hendry's five-year monopoly of the world championship at the Crucible in April, continued his disappointing start to the season late on Wednesday evening when he lost 5-4 to Willie Thome.

The Irishman, who squandered a chance to pot the black victory, was adamant that his

Southgate, for whom Si-

mons scored three goals in the 7-2 defeat of Teddington last

week, expect to be even stron-

ger for the home match

against Canterbury, with Craig Carolan, from South

Africa, as their new centre half. Canterbury, the surprise

team of the league, are perse-

vering with Evennett, Hum-

phries, Mathews and Wicken.

the junior World Cup players . Reading, the title holders, in

seventh position, have some

repair work to do when they

entertain Barford Tigers.

Manpreet Kochar's return to

their defence after a two-week

rest restores them to full

strength. Old Loughtonians expect to earn full points from

their home march against

a National Lottery grant of

£250,000 for the upgrading of

their sand-filled artificial turf

pitch at Havant College to a

water-base surface that will

enable them to stage interna-

Havant have been awarded

newly-promoted Beeston.



Parrott impressive new-found status within the

game has not placed him under any additional pressure, yet its very mention would suggest that the idea had crossed his mind. "I have been putting in an

awful lot of practice lately but harder." Doherty said. He

Bond, the eventual winner, in his opening match at the Regal Scottish Masters two weeks ago. Parrott, qualified to speak

on the issue from personal experience after winning the 1991 world championship, disagreed with Doherty. "Of course there's extra responsibility when you are in Ken's position, no matter which way you look at it." he said. Players get geed up by who they are playing."

James Wattana, of Thai-

land, and Quinten Hann, the leading player from Australia. enhanced the cosmopolitan nature of the event's televised phase by progressing. Wat-tana beat Stephen O'Connor 5-4 while Hann, a rising force, included breaks of 75 and 124 during his 5-2 win over Joe

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### in the eighth frame for a 5-3. obviously I've got to work even on the way to producing a 40

HOCKEY: GARRARD TO FACE FORMER CLUB AS ENGLAND WOMEN SUFFER SETBACK

# unbeaten Cannock

By Sydney Friskin

BRETT GARRARD, the England Under-21 captain, who played for Guildford last year, has joined Teddington and is in the squad for the National League premier division match against his former club

Garrard fills a gap in the Teddington defence caused by the absence of Dawkins, the Australian, who is injured. Guildford are at full strength. with Hall, Moseley and Markham as front-runners and

Jennings in support All eyes will be on the match between Cannock and Hourslow, the only clubs with 100 per cent records. Cannock, the hosts, have strengthened their midfield by recalling Johnson. who was rested after the junior World Cup at Milton Keynes. Kalbir Takher will not play because his ankle injury has not healed. The doubtful starter in Hounslow's squad is William son, the Wales defender, who has a swollen thumb and who could be replaced by Lance.

# Johnson returns to lift England's build-up disrupted by injury

By Cathy Harris

THE withdrawal of three players from the England squad to play Germany in two matches in Cologne this week-end was hardly the news Maggie Souyave, the England coach, wanted to receive. With the World Cup in Utrecht looming next May, Souyave had expected to start the first stages of the selection process. Instead, she will be missing the defender, Lisa

Copeland, and the prolific

goalscorer, Tina Culien, who are out with back injuries. Hilary Rose, the Olympic goalkeeper and a student at the University of Massachusetts, will not be be making the trip either, but the good news is that Tammy Miller, the Clifton captain and midfield player, has recovered from a calf injury and will

national scene. After the games in Germany, Souyave will announce the squad to play South Korea, the Olympic silver medal-winners, in two

make her return to the inter-

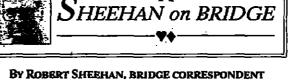
matches at the end of this

month. For the young players in the side there is everything to play for while for others, Souyave has admitted it is a make-orbreak situation. "I imagine that most of the players will start," she said.

"But it's crucial for me to see how the younger players perform alongside the more senior members and react under pressure when they're wearing an England With at least ten players

resting from international competition or sidelined with injuries. Souyave can afford to be ruthless when she

assesses the whole England senior training party Lilleshall on October 26. ENGLAND: Id Clewfow (Contestury). J Empson (Cantestury), L Cutilized (Ciliton). T Miller (Chlori), C Raid (Hughstown). L King (Lossich). J Younge (Bossich). S Blanks (Laicester). I Breaden (Leicester). C Voss (Laicester). I Breaden (Leicester). C Voss (Laicester). J Breaden (Leicester). W Nicholis (Stoogh). J Senth (Stough), M Davies Sution Codifich). J Steamth Sutton



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gland's elite do not lag far behind those of New Zealand.

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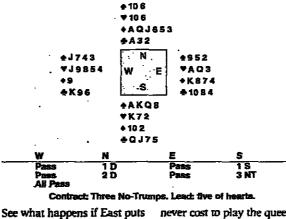
ability to dominate the world

game. Players, he has found,

are mentally dulled by the

treadmill of club and interna-

This Refresher is about a common defensive manoeuvre. Dealer West



on the ace of hearts at trick one. He continues with the queen at trick two, ducked by declarer, and declarer wins the third round of hearts. When he runs the ten of diamonds to East, East has no more hearts. So declarer makes ten tricks - three dummy, you and declarer. spades, a heart, five diamonds and a club. When this hand occurred at

the BBL Premier League, this was the bidding at most of the tables, and on the heart lead all of the East players put in the queen. Look at that from the declarer's point of view. If he ducks, he may find that West has led from AJ8S4 of hearts, and now the defence will take the first five tricks. If he takes the king of hearts, he will be all right if West has the king of diamonds, or if East has the king of diamonds and the hearts were initially 4-4 That's what happened - all the declarers who received a

Note that within the confines of the heart suit it can

heart lead went down in Three

SHERLOCK HOLMES HORACE HARKER a. A detective b. A murderer c. A reporter

STEILER a. An Alp b. A hotel manager c. A rising young forger never cost to play the queen. Apply the rule of eleven: to remind you of the rule, you subtract from eleven the spot card your partner has led. In this case he led the five, which makes the magic number six. That is the number of cards higher than the five held by

Thus here you can tell that the declarer has two cards higher than the five, since you and dummy have four of them. So playing the ace of hearts is not going to drop declarer's singleton king - he is known to have another card

☐ The world championships start in Tunisia this weekend and Great Britain are represented in the women's event, the Venice Cup. From Monday onwards, watch this space for the latest results.

☐ Robert Sheehan writes on bridge Monday to Friday in Sport and in the Weekend

# WORD-WATCHING

By Philip Howard

**DUNDAS SEPARATION** a. A chemical experiment b. A divorce case c. A bankruptcy scandal

> a. A Greek ship-owner b. A London Club c. A famous bloodhound Answers on page 45

DIOGENES

# KEENE on CHESS

By Raymond Keene CHESS CORRESPONDENT

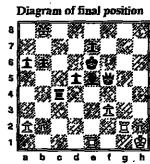
Kasparov's loss It must have been galling for

Kasparov to lose to his young Russian rival and reigning Russian champion, Peter Swidler at the Tilburg tourna-ment. Kasparov has been supremely successful in his most recent tournaments against human opposition scoring first prizes at Las Palmas, Linares and Novgorod. At Tilburg, too, Kasparov seemed destined for another record breaking first prize. However, he stumbled badly in his needle game against Swidler. Swidler employed an unusual opening variation and then suddenly sacrificed a pawn which was probably too hot to take. Nevertheless, Kasparov snatched the material, only to find his king exposed and his kingside pawns weakened. In spite of a brave attempt at counter-attack, Kasparov's position ultimately collapsed.

White: Peter Swidler Black: Garry Kasparov Tilburg, October 1997 Sicilian Defence

Nbd7 Nbd2

Nf4 Nxh3+ Qd8



Team championship

The World Team Championship is soon due to start at Lucerne in Switzerland. Adams's performance at Tilburg augurs well for the British attempt on the gold medals. He will be joined in the team by Nigel Short. Matthew Sadler and Jon Speelman.

Times book

The Times Winning Moves 2 contains 240 chess puzzles from international grandmaster Raymond Keene's daily column in The Times, and is available now from bookshops or from B.T. Batsford Ltd (tel: 01376 321276 at £6.99 plus postage and packing).

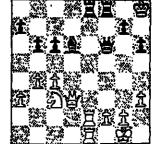
☐ Raymond Keene writes on chess Monday to Friday in Sport and in the Weekend section on Saturday.

# WINNING MOVE

By Raymond Keene

Black to play. This position is from the game G. Hernandez - A. Hernandez, Cuba 1997. In this battle of the Hernandezes, 'A' found a clever way to break into 'G's position and reach a winning endgame. What did he play?

Solution on page 45



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at Palace BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

CRYSTAL Palace yesterday signed the Italian midfield player, Ivano Boneni, on a

week-to-week basis. The former Grimsby Town and Tranmere Rovers man originally impressed the Palace manager, Steve Coppell, in a trial match last week. "I felt he was the best player on the day." Coppell said. "We are signing him on a short-term basis for three or four weeks.

"He has very good vision and, at the age of 33, he has great mobility. I don't really have a vacancy in the squad. but he won't cost a transfer fee - just his wages. So I thought why not give it a chance. He is determined to play in the Premier League. That can only be good for Palace and myself." Bonent started his career in

England with Grimsby. but left for Tranmere after a dressing-room clash with then

manager, Brian Laws. Coppell was having a busy time in the transfer market. He snapped up the young Wolverhampton Wanderers full back, Jamie Smith. in a "straight two-for-one swap" as both Dougie Freedman and Kevin Muscat, the 24-year-old Australian, travelled to the Midlands.

The Freedman deal has been mooted for a couple of weeks now," Coppell said. "In an ideal world, I would like to have kept Dougle, but his contract was up shortly and under the Bosman ruling, he would have been free to move. We had a similar situation with David Hopkin at the end

"At the moment we have got a surplus of right-backs and Mark McGhee needed to replace Jamie and Kevin wants first-team football,"

Alex Ferguson, the Manchester United manager, yes-terday ruled Roy Keane, the Republic of Ireland midfield player, out of the World Cup finals next summer. Ferguson does not believe Keane can recover from the cruciate ligament injury in time to play in France, should the Republic beat Belgium in the play-offs.

I think we could have him back training in April. Thereafter we have to really monitor the type of injury Roy has "He will be back — there's no doubt about that -- but I'm looking more to the start of

next year," said Ferguson. Asked if he lelt that Keane would be competitively fit this season. Ferguson said that at best. Keane would only be maining.

"There's a big difference between normal training and football training and taking part in football, because the injury is a type of injury that needs a long recovery.

"It needs a really good rehabilitation period and you need luck too. Hopefully, these three things will fit in nicely for Roy and hopefully, when he does start training in April. there will be no signs of the

Asked if Keane would be fit enough to play in the World Cup finals next June, Ferguson said: "I personally don't FOOTBALL: MERSEYSIDE CLUB FAVOURITES FOR COCA-COLA CUP AFTER FOURTH-ROUND DRAW

محد امن رالامل

# Liverpool convinced cup is real thing

become favourites for the Coca-Cola Cup: merely, it seems, an assertion that your dub will not snigger at the very mention of the compention. When Roy Evans, the Liverpool manager, suggested, therefore, that he would field his strongest possible side in the competition and his team was handed a home draw against Grimsby Town in the fourth round, the bookmakers could do little else but break for cover. Odds of 11-4 still look somewhat generous.

IT DOES not take much to

given the rest of the draw. Manchester United have already fallen by the wayside and, with Arsenal pursuing a policy of resting their leading players for the competition, the way looks invitingly open for Liverpool. The obvious and Chelsea, but both have been handed stern examina-

### DRAW

To played in week of Nov 17

tions against FA Carling Premiership rivals. Chelsea at home to Southampton and Newcastle an extremely tricky tie at fast-improving Derby Сошису

It all leaves Evans with an air of satisfaction, especially after the kind draw. "I know that other clubs have a different attitude, but we will try to win anything we enter." he said. "We have a tradition in this competition and it would be wrong not to honour it.

"We have won the trophy five times and I will select the strongest side to try to make it six. It is none of my business how other teams view the Coca-Cola Cup, but we want to win it. We are pleased to have a home draw, but I don't think we are obvious favourites. Grimsby will come to Anfield with their confidence high after a fine win

Such bullish sentiment will

be music to the ears of the sponsor, but one still wonders if Evans has pitched it right. Alex Ferguson, could barely contain his joy after his side was knocked out of the competition by Ipswich Town on Tuesday, his broad

smile speaking volumes.

With a Ueta Cup place no longer on offer, the obvious question remains, what is the point? Why should Liverpool embroil themselves in the heavy programme that success in the cup will bring, when they have far greater prizes to pursue. It is the Premiership that Evans must win if he is to secure his management tenure, not an empty day out at Wembley.

In saying that, there are plenty of clubs that would appreciate a trip to the twin towers before the grand old stadium is remodelled and the Football League has not yet given up hope of regaining a European berth for the

Uefa has removed it from next season, but the Football League has petitioned the European Commission in Brussels in the hope of winning it back. Chris Hull, a League spokesman, asserted yesterday that there is still genuine confidence. "Our efforts in Brussels are going well," he said. "They have been very sympathetic and we really are very confident that the winners of the Coca-Cola Cup will qualify for Europe

West Ham United, with a home draw against Walsall, are interesting 10-1 chances to lift the trophy, but perhaps the most attractive bet of all is the 5-I available against Chelsea. even though the London club received some further bad news yesterday.

Gustavo Poyet, their Uruguay international, underwent an operation in Brussels after snapping knee ligaments in training and will be absent for the rest of the season. However, Ruud Gullit, the Chelsea manager, has already indicated that he does have money available to sign a



Poyet, right, of Chelsea, who will be out for the rest of the season after snapping knee ligaments in training

# Anderton enjoys quick half | Breakaway clubs lose vote

By Our Sports Staff

news in a difficult season vesterdav when Darren Anderton took part in his first competitive game since May.

The England winger, who has been out of action for five months because of a hamstring injury, played 45 minutes for the reserves against Norwich City without suffering any adverse reaction, but said that he was too short of match fitness to be considered for the FA Carling Premiership match against Sheffield Wednesday at White Hart Lane on Sunday.

There's no point in my coming back because of a bad result for the team on Wednesday," Anderton said. "It's been a nightmare and I want to be out there, but I would be silly to come back too soon." It had been planned that Anderton would play only the

first half against Norwich and

he admitted that he felt tired

BT's 0800.

straight in the first team." he said. "When I do return, I want to be completely right. There is another reserve game next Wednesday and that is my next target. Hopefully I can play for an hour, or even

all of that one. "I need to play for at least an hour before coming into



TOTTENHAM Hotspur re- for the last 15 minutes. "It consideration for the first THE proposed breakaway League secretary, said that it they wanted to set up their is that the hamstring feels fine. It would be silly to go straight into a Premiership His eventual return will go

some way towards easing the air of gloom at Tottenham, which was exacerbated on Wednesday when they were beaten 2-1 by Derby County in the third round of the Coca-Cola Cup. Anderton has played fewer than 30 games for Tottenham in two years and his absence this season -aloneside several other firstteam players - has coincided with poor results and a mounting campaign by supporters against Gerry Francis, the manager.

Anderton showed glimpses of his quality in the low-key surroundings of Chigwell, firing in a 30-yard free kick that Bryan Gunn, the Norwich goalkeeper, tipped over. The match finished I-I.

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

procedural difficulties yesterday when a meeting of the Scottish League management committee descended into

Each of the six premier division representatives were told that they could not vote on their individual club motions to resign from the Scottish League. Because of the precarious balance of power on the 12-man committee, it meant that Celtic, Rangers, Dundee United, Aberdeen, Hibernian and St Johnstone were defeated 6-5.

The four other premier division clubs without representatives - Dunfermline Athletic. Heart of Midlothian, Motherwell and Kilmarnock -- were able to win their votes, but two required the casting decision of Doug Smith, the committee chairman and Dundee United

Peter Donald, the Scottish

justice that any member putting forward a motion should not be allowed to vote on its outcome. "With the ten clubs putting forward identi-

cal resolutions there were ten

votes, but in only four of those Doubts over the future of Roy Aitken as the manager of struggling Aberdeen increased yesterday, with the club's Supporters' Association adding its voice to the growing discontent.

could all 12 members vote," he said. "The management committee felt unable to support the resolutions of six of the clubs and all voting was in accordance with prior precedent

"Our position remains as it always has been from the moment the clubs made clear

persuade the 30 other member clubs that change is in their best interests and today's lost votes showed they have yet to do that."

The next stage for the management committee is to hold a special general meeting, when all clubs will be asked if the four given initial permission to resign can leave at the end of the season. It appears to leave the remaining six in limbo, but Campbell Ogilvie, of Rangers, said it would only

delay the inevitable. "What happened here was tactical voting," he said. "What we were trying to do was shorten the two-year period of giving notice to leave. Because of the sponsorship

and television deals being up at the end of the season we wanted to move now. The ten premier clubs will meet in the next few days to decide on our next course of action."

# Witton go in-search of elusive cup-tie success

NON-LEAGUE FOOTBALL BY WALTER GAMMIE

VICTORY in the first qualifying round of the FA Umbro Trophy tomorrow would help Witton Albion to end an unwanted cup run and shift the gloom of a turbulent 12

months at Wincham Park.
Witton. Trophy finalists in 1992 and semi-finalists in the years on either side, come into the competition at its earlier stage with a home tie against Farsley Celtic without having won a cup-tie of any description since beating Hyde Uni-ted in the Cheshire Cup final in May 1996.

Eight consecutive losses make grim reading. Last sea-son brought cup defeats at the first hurdle in the FA Cup, by Kidderminster Harriers, the Trophy, by Workington Town, the Unibond League Cup, Cheshire Senior Cup and mid-

Cheshire Senior Cup.
This season. Witton, losing their exemption to the fourth qualifying round — sustained after a memorable appearance before Match of the Day cameras against Bolton Wanderers in 1991 - went down 5-0 to Gainsborough Trinity in the first qualifying round of the FA Cup. To add to their woe, Nantwich Town, of the Bass. North West Counties League, dispatched them from the Cheshire Senior Cup 1-0 and Droylesden knocked them out of the Unibond League Cup 2-1.

Like many a club before them, Witton, fuelled by a new ground, opened in 1990, a three-year spell in the Vauxhall Conference and their cup runs, swallowed success greedily before suffering a hangover of substantial

They thought that they had Warrender, who had owned a locally-based aircraft services business. However, his 18month spell ended last September in frustration at council opposition to plans to develop the club's 13-acre site. It was followed by the swift departure of Ray Ransom, the manager, and the break-up of the side. The club nose dived

to the Unibond first division. Before the end of the season. Witton had been through Bryan Griffiths and Paul Bennett was kicked this season. Kevin Tully, the new man in charge, had lost Nigel Deeley and John Bingham, his experi-

encei assistants. Their legacy was a vastlyimproved squad, with Darren Washington, formerly of Congleton Town, topping the League's goal charts with 11, and Graham Abel, formerly with local rivals Northwich Victoria, and Kevin Langley arriving to give the team a solid look that has kept them among the division's frontrunners.

To complete the restoration of self-respect, Witton now just need that elusive cup win. If the worst came to the worst against Farsley, they will, however, have the consolation of knowing all about their rivals, whom they have never played when they travel to their ground for a league match the next week.

# CRICKET

born spinner enjoyed a suc-

cessful tour of England with

the Pakistan A team in the

Pakistan welcome back

Wasim Akram, who returns to

the first-class game after five

months' absence because of a

shoulder surgery. Wasim.

now fully fit, has happy mem-ories of the ground where, a

year ago, he scored his career-

best 257 not out against

name their side until just

before the start. The pitch

looks a definite turner but we

have good spinners in Pat

Symcox and Paul Adams and

we have complete faith in their

abilities." Bob Woolmer, the

With Brett Shultz, the left-

arm fast bowler, having

already pulled out of the tour

because of a shoulder prob-

lem, the two other players

with fitness doubts are Dave

Richardson, the wicketkeeper,

and Allan Donald. The un-

capped Mark Boucher has

flown in as a possible replace-

ment for Richardson, who is

suffering from a hamstring

The South Africans will not

Zimbabwe.

coach, said,

summer, taking 28 wickets.

# Pakistan may turn to Rizvi for second Test

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF pitch," he said. The Karachi-

PAKISTAN have called up three spinners, including the uncapped Ali Rizvi, after preparing a turning pitch for the second Test match against South Africa that starts at Sheikhupura today.

After the first Test in the three-match series ended in a high-scoring draw at Rawalpindi, the Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB) ordered the groundsman to prepare a pitch suitable for the home spinners. The oftch has been prepared according to guidelines provided by the board," Mohammad Bashir, the chief groundsman, said yesterday.

The Municipal Stadium at Sheikhupura is staging only its second Test match and Bashir said that he expected the pitch to turn from the first day. I hope this pitch will produce a result," he said. Rizvi, a wrist spinner, who

took II wickets for a PCB XI at Karachi in South Africa's opening tour match, inins Mushtaq Ahmed and Saque: Mushtag, the off spinner, in a squad of 13. Saeed Anwar, the Pakistan captain, said that Rizvi was full of promise. "He has the ability to make the ball bounce and turn on a helpful

Udal is set to lead Hampshire SHAUN UDAL could be-

come only the second Hampshire-born cricketer to captain the county this century after he emerged as favourite to replace John Stephenson. Udal, the off spinner, was a

member of England's last World Cup squad in Australia and is likely to succeed Stephenson, whose resignation was accepted by the Hamp-shire committee earlier this

Udal. 28, who was born in-Farnborough, would be the first Hampshire man to lead the county since George Taylor in 1939. Udal said: "All the players were shocked at the way John decided to stand down. We have to look to the future of Hampshire cricket:

Doubts remain over whether Stepheuson, who has scored 2.287 runs and taken 109 wickets in first-class matches for the county, will remain with Hampshire. The former Essex and England opening batsman is heading for a three-month break in Africa and said: South "l'il be taking some time out to consider my options."

# SPORT IN BRIEF

# Zimbabwe triumph

ZIMBABWE emerged unbeaten at the end of the preliminary matches in the President's Cup three-nation cricket tournament in beating Kenya by seven wickets at the Aga Khan grounds in Natrobi yesterday. Zimbabwe cruised to 210 for three after 41.2 overs in reply to the Kenya imnings of 207 for nine in 50 overs.

Asif Karim, the Kenya captain, dismissed the match as a mere formality, since Kenya had already qualified for the finals tomorrow and Sunday.

# **Champion Australia**

HOCKEY: Australia beat Holland 3-1 to clinch first place in the six-nation Champions' Trophy in Adelaide yesterday. Stephen Davies opened the scoring for Australia and Paul Gaudoin put the home side 2-0 up in the 26th minute. Bram Lomans scored for Holland in the 35th minute before Paul Lewis secured victory for Australia. Danish Kaleen scored in the final minute to give Pakistan a 1-1 draw with Spain in the

# Happy homecoming

TENNIS: Martina Hingis made her first appearance in Switzerland as world No I yesterday, at the European indoor championships in Zurich, and swept to an easy victory in the second round. Hingis, who defended her first career singles title last week in Filderstadt, advanced to the quarter-finals by dispatching Anne-Gaelle Sidot, of France, 6-3, 6-2.

# Stepping on the gas

POWERBOATING Charles Burnett III, from London, yesterday broke his national record for gas unlimited class boats on Windermere. On the fourth day of the annual Powerboat Record Attempts Week, he took his offshore craft, Culture Vulture, up to 94.56mph, 20mph faster than he had achieved earlier in the week.

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(c) A reporter of the Central Press Syndicate. He resided at 131 Pitt Street. Kensinton in The Six Napoleons. Early one morning he was stunned to find his plaster east of Devine's head of Napoleon missing and a murdered man sprawied on his doorstep. He was so

upset that he could not cover his own story.

that we reached the little village of Meiringen, where we put up at the Englischer Hof, then kept by Peter Steller the elder. Our landlord was an intelligent man and spoke excellent English, having served for three years as waiter at the Grosvenor Hotel in London."

(b) An unchronicled case in which Holmes was engaged, mentioned

in A Case of Identity. "The bushand was a tectotaler, there was no other woman, and the conduct complained of was that he had drifted into the habit of winding up every meal by taking out his false teeth and burling them at his wife."

DIOCENES (b) A London Club situated in Pall Mall, of which Mycroft Holmes

contains the most unsociable and unclubbable men in town." SOLUTION TO WINNING CHESS MOVE

# \*Cayard proving to be worthy leader in word and deed

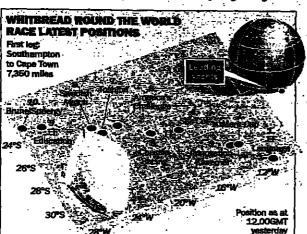
By Edward Gorman, sailing correspondent

THE Paul Cayard Show in the Whitbread Round the World Race continues. Apart from sailing away from the fleet, Cayard, from San Francisco, is proving a wonderful correspondent, sending back vibrant accounts as EF Language hurdes downwind towards the first leg stopover at Cape Town, now just 1,500 miles

Modern international yacht racing relies on sponsors and on skippers who are prepared to make an effort on their behalf. This comes naturally to Cayard who is showing that it is possible to sail to the limits, while also sharing the experience with the public. This is in stark contrast to Lawrie Smith, of Great Britain, who has said almost nothing since leaving Cowes four weeks ago and whose mid-fleet experiences aboard Silk Cut remain a mystery.

boat fleet from 70 miles to more than 100. Behind him, Grant Dalton, on Merit Cup. who has an advantage over Knut Frostad, on Innovation Kvaerner, of only ten miles, could only admire Cayard's performance over the previous two days. "He is sailing su-perbly well and he will be difficult to catch, " Dalton said. "At this stage, we really need a change in the weather." Cayard said: "The boat is

flying. I have been thinking about how to describe it to my friends and family. No words can do the experience justice. The shuddering, not shaking, violent jerking of the boat throws people off their bunks. On deck, you can't tell if this thing is a boat or a submarine. Because of the water ballast, it sails quite upright and fast at



Yesterday Cayard extended decks are completely awash, his lead at the head of the ten-sometimes up to one metre. sometimes up to one metre. When we change headsails and the boys go forward, you wonder how they can make headway for the force of water. Last night I steered for four hours and never have I been

pelted with a fire hose like that Several times people simply get washed away until their safety harness fetches up. Everything is wet. You don't sleep, you rest out of the wind water. Everything is stacked aft now, trying to keep the bow from submarining. The waves are 15 feet high. This is a sleigh ride like you

can't imagine."

Cayard added that EF Language is regularly touching 30 knots and, at a mere 18 knots, the crew have come to regard themselves as going slowly. He credited his navigator. Mark Rudiger, for investing in a more southerly position than Merit and Kvaerner after rounding the island of Trindade which has proved the secret of their recent

The fleet is now spread over an enormous area of ocean. Smith remains comfortable in fourth place, but he is 320 miles behind Cayard. Chessie Racing (Mark Fi-scher) is another 150 miles behind the British boat in fifth, while America's Challenge (Ross Field) is another 130 miles farther back.

The all-women crew of EF Education, lying in ninth place, was clocked at 927.6 miles behind Cayard yester-day morning while the Dutch crew on BrunelSunergy is more than 1,000 miles adrift in last, though they did have to divert to Recife for rudder



# Webb shares first-round lead

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KARRIE WEBB, from Austrabehind, the pair after a first season in the Senior Tournalia, and Juli Inkster, of the round of 68, followed by Kelly ment of Champions, which the lead after the first round of the LPGA world championship at the Lakeside Country. Club in Seoul, South Korea Both went round in 67, five

under par, yesterday. Webb had two bogeys and seven birdies in her round. "I had a good feeling over the putter," she said. Inkster dropped only one shot and hit

ted States, was one stroke chasing his sixth title of the who shot a 69.

Annika Sorenstam, the twotime defending champion from Sweden, was tied in fifth place with her compatriot, Helen Alfredsson, on 70. "I still feel confident. It's only Thursday," Sorenstam said. Alison Nicholas, of Great

Britain, was a further shot behind after a first round of 71. one under par.

Chris Johnson, of the Uni- . Tommy Horton will be starts at The Buckingham shire Club today.

Horton, who spent last month as assistant to Severiano Ballesteros, the Europe Ryder Cup captain. has already won the senior order of merit for the second successive season. "I would like my long-shafted putter to stay hot for just one more week," Horton, from Jersey, said yesterday.

(BAE) is potentially the most far-reaching of all. Baddeley, 36, has unexpectedly become one of the youngest leaders in British sport. Lottery funds have given him, in his own words: "A thousand

per cent increase in the budget," which means about a million pounds to spend in one year. As a result he has glimpsed a vista which, if not vigorously pursued, may never reveal itself again.

The chance of converting some of the game's five million tion, exhibition and promocasual adherents into fee-paycreates, ing players could revive hopes of awaking something that has been a sleeping giant. And the possibility of being able to restore England somewhere

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nearer to the top four nations it was a decade and a half ago. should raise hopes of making hadminton much better Hence the five-match series against China next week is a quality event of a new era and four new caps have been

Thomas Muster makes a backhand return on his

way to victory over Paul Haarhuis, of Holland, in

day. The Austrian, seeded fourth, was a 6-3, 7-6

victor and will play Diego Nargiso, a qualifier

from Italy, in the quarter-finals. Nargioso, who is ranked No 248 in the world, was the surprise

victor over Petr Korda, the local favourite, by 46,

named. The bad boys of last season, Nathan Robertson and Ian Sullivan, drooped from the national squads for drinking, late nights and poor commitment, but now with a more optimistic and more professional attitude, have been reinstated.

More important than the outcome of a series which is usually a mixture of competi-

FAI HAPP LAGER CUP: Quarter-finals: Horse Fam 3 Coth Rembles 2 (set: 2-2 site: 90rtiss). NATIONMDE GOLD CUP: Section C: Citionwille 1 Portsdown 1

tion, will be the mood it If the present batch of

6-2, 7-6. Sergi Bruguera, the second seed from

Spain, beat Jeff Tarango, of the United States,

7-6, 3-6, 6-4 and Goran Ivanisevic, the third seed

from Croatia. had a walkover after Martin

Damm, another Czech, defaulted for health

reasons. Meanwhile, in Lyon, Cedric Pioline, of

France, beat his compatriot, Arnaud Clement, in

the second round of the indoor tournament.

BADMINTON: LOTTERY MONEY GIVES YOUNG LEADER THE POWER HE NEEDS FOR A REVOLUTION

Baddeley's mission to awaken sleeping giant

players are good enough to turn things around - something widely doubted - then they need to start believing it now. Belief has been one of Baddeley's strengths. "People may be shaken by his determ-



Baddeley: big task

BAE chairman, John Havers. As chief executive he will be similar to the person you saw on the court. He knew the limits of his talent but made the most of it and got about 98 per cent of it."

This quality most of all made Baddeley this country's most successful men's singles player since the war. It enabled him to become director of a successful world championships at a venue, Lausanne, which many thought too much of a badminton backwater to

It has also spurred Baddeley to build, within one year of becoming England's Director of Elite Play, the best behindthe scenes set-up it has ever had. With the great Korean, Park Joo-Bong, the Dane Asger Madsen, and Baddeley's former England colleague, Steve Butler,

among the voting staff.

Many thought Baddeley

Tippest (Aus) 9-3, 8-8, 9-0, 9-7; L Irving (Aus) br M Zein (Egypt) 9-3, 9-6, 9-0; N Grainger (SA) bt P Paricis (Austria) 9-3, 9-3, 9-4; F Gesques (Eng) bt V Cardwell (Aus) 9-0, 9-4, 9-4; S Horrer (Eng) bt E Malpr (Aus) 9-1, 9-3, 9-7; S Fitz-Genald (Aus) bt N Meneu (Sp) 9-1, 9-0, 9-0; R Cooper (Aus) bt N

at least two more years. His predecessor as chief executive Geoffrey Snowdon wanted to carry on and even before starting his new job Baddeley read in the association's magazine that he was not ready for

Clement was unable to reproduce the form that

saw him defeat Patrick Rafter, the US Open

champion, in the first round and went down 6-2,

6-2. Pioline will now face Mark Philippoussis.

the No 7 seed from Australia, who beat Richey

Reneberg, of the United States, 4-6, 7-6, 6-4 yesterday. Thomas Enqvist, the lifth seed from

Sweden, beat Todd Martin 7-5, 6-3.

ination to succeed," said the would continue in that role for

such an onerous task. But both the executive committee and the council of the BAE believe the new money

and the millennial optimism make a calculated gamble worth taking. It is probably now or never if years of decline are to be reversed. Nevertheless for Baddeley to retain responsibility for elite play while taking on the executive role as well is asking a great deal. Britain's first

Olympic medals, an increase in affiliated players, a higher profile and great sponsorship are the alluring targets - but is not all that beyond one person to achieve? Delegation, rather than determination, is the key.

# **BOWLS**

# Thomson benefits from preparation

By DAVID RHYS JONES

ANDY THOMSON, the world's top-ranked player, brought a new intensity to the portable rink at the Guild Hall, Preston, yesterday, when he defeated Graham Robertson 7-1, 7-5 and booked the Bupa Care Homes Open.

Many bowlers believe that the fine touch that is required for the indoor game is not easily acquired after a summer season spent hurling bowls through long grass and

this tournament is too early in the winter season for many people's tastes. The outdoor season dragson until the end of September, but when he was knocked out of the national outdoor singles championship in Worthing at the end of August, Thomson decided to call it a day, packed his waterproofs away and concentrated his energy on his

preparation for the indoor. "My first big tournament was the Soham Masters in September and I put a lot of effort into getting myself ready for that." Thomson said yesterday. "It all paid off, because I hit top form and won the event. It couldn't have been a better start to the season."

Yesterday the Anglo-Scot appeared formidably focused in his bid to add the Open title to the two world indoor singles. titles that he has already won on the portable rink. Robertson, a dour oppo-

nent, tested him to the full, but scored on only four of the 13 ends. David Gourlay, the 1996 world indoor singles champion, was equally impressive, beating Rowan Brassey, 2 talented New Zealander, 7-0,

Gourlay had been pushed all the way by Norma Shaw, the women's world indoor singles champion, on Tuesday night and had to pull out the stops to stay in the match, killing the end when Shaw, 3-0 a place in the quarter-finals of up in the deciding set, drew the Burga Care Homes Open.

This time, Gourlay drew as if his woods were attracted to the jack and continually forced Brassey to do the firing. in the quarter-finals today, Gourlay plays Steve Glasson, who beat him in the Australian Jack High-tournament earlier this

Two PBA qualifiers, Les Gillett, from the Banbury club, and Nigel Williams. from Swansea, who had both beaten seeded Australians in the first round, looked nervous as they vied for a place in the quarter-finals.

Gillett, who did not score in the second set, won the first and third sets by the same 7-6 scoreline but will have to raise his game if he is to trouble the holder. Hugh Duff, when they meet in the last-eight stage



Thomson: focused

BASEBALL AMERICAN LEAGUE Pay-offs; Cleveland Battimore 0 (Cleveland win best-of-saver series 4-2). time.
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BUDWEISER LEAGUE: Tharnes Valley 68 Manchester Glants 80. NATIONAL CUP: Fourth round: Plymouth Raiders 77 London Towers 99.

PRESTON GUILD HALL: Supe Care Homes Open Championship: Second round; J Price (Wales) br A Albook (Eng) 7-6, 7-8; S (Basson (Aus) to M King (Eng) 7-6, 7-7-6; R Wales (Wales) br W Mellors (Scot) 3-7-8, 7-8, 7-8, 4 Thomson (Eng) br G-Rotiertson (Scot) 7-1, 7-5; L Gillett (Eng) br M Williams (Albest) 7-6, 7-7-8. D Gourtey (Scot) br R Breasey (NZ) 7-0, 7-2.

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FALL OF WICKETS: 1-124, 2-170, 3-200. BOWLING: Owel 5-0-22-0; T Suri 2-0-9-0; Odoya 10-0-38-0; Kerim 10-0-39-1; Odumbe 4-0-19-0; Tikala 4-2-0-29-1; M (Paid) SHEFFIELD SHEELD (second day of four) srephilip SHELD (econd day of four): Brisbane: New South Wales 464 M A Taylor 124, M G. Beven 153, M S Kasprovicz 4-129): Quesnaland 153-0 (M L Hayden 75 red out, M L Love St not out, Adelaide: Teamaria 301 (P Wilson 53-4); South Australia 336-8 (D S Lehmann 131, J D Siddons 91).

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By RICHARD EATON

EVER since Lady Henrietta Somerset kept a shuttle in the

air 2,000 times in the Front

Hall more than 160 years ago,

thereby helping to lend the name of the Duke of Beau-

fort's stately home to a popu-

lar game, badminton has lived through plenty of revolutions.

However, the one galvanised

by the appointment this

month of Steve Baddeley as

chief executive of the Badmin-

ton Association of England

FOOTBALL

Wednesday's late results
COCA-COLA CUP: Third round: Chelses 1
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vin 4-1 on perest; Coventry 4 Eventon 1;
Middlesbrough 2 Sunderland 0; Newcastle
2 Hull 0; Stoke 1 Leeds 3 (act; 1-1 after
90min); Totherham Hotspur 1 Deny 2; West
Bromwich 0 (Jeerpool 2; West Ham 3 Aston
Ville 0. SCOT) SH COCA-COLA CUP: Semi-final Aberdeen 1 Dundee United 3

SCOTTISH COCA-COLA CUP: Semi-linal: Abordeen 1 Dundee United 3

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URIBOND LEAGUE: Premier division: Bishop Auckland 4 Frickley 1, Geinsborough D Cadiseley 1, First division: Bradiord PA 0 Eastwood Town 1

DR MARTENS LEAGUE: Midland division: RC Warwick 3 Pager 6: Reunds 0 VS Rupby 2: Solinut Boro 3 Moor Green 2. Southern division: Beldock 2 Witesy 3. Deriford 1 Margare 0; Newport AFC 1 Weston-super-Meure 2. Cup; Preliminary round, first legitlewart 1 Weymouth 1. STI-Hallan FOOTBALL LEAGUE: Third division: Harlow 2 Wingate and Finchley 2. AVON INSURANCE COMBINATION: First division: Harlow 1 Charlom 1; Social United 4 Challeen 1; Swindon 1 Ipswich 1. PONTBYS LEAGUE: First division: Burnley 4 Barnsley 0; Rochadle 2 Winstam 1, Siroshopt 3 Sheffleld Linted 4. Third division: Chester 2 Wilgen 3 Bury 2.

INTERLINK EXPRESS ALLIANCE: Invitation 6, WINSTONLED (CENTRE) COURTIES LEAGUE: First on 1, COURAGE COMBINED COUNTIES LEAGUE: Premier division: Fettern 1 Ashford 6.

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FOOTBALL

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UNITED COUNTIES LEAGUE Premier division: S and L Corby v M Blackstone

RUGBY UNION

kick-off 7 30 unless stated

Bristol City v York (7.45) ... Cartisle v Preston (7.45) ...

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TODAY'S FIXTURES RUGBY LEAGUE

World club champlonship Brisbane v Hunter Martners (8.0am, at Auckland) ......

OTHER SPORT

BASKETBALL: Budwesser Leaguer, Manchester Garas v Crystal Palace (7:30), Worthing Beas v London (Leopais; (B.U), GOUF: Alfred Durhill Cup (at St Anchews) ICE HOCKEY: Beason and Hedges Cup. Quarter-fired, first leg. Sheffield Statelars v Cardiff Devile (7:30).

SNOCKER: Grand Prix (at Bournemouth). SPEEDWAY: Carven Shield; First round, second leg: Belle Vius (30) v Swindon (80), Young Shield: Servi-fined, first leg. Bonburght Long Eaton Indhebust Essex unfor championarin (at Anen Essex, 8:0). Amengur Changuer: Oxford v Joseph and King's Lynn (7:30); Oxford v Esser and Neugori (8:45).

FENNIS: LTA women's challenger tour-

v M Blackstone.
FAI HARP LAGER NATIONAL LEAGUE:
Premier division: Drogheda v Strannock.
(7.45): Shabourne v Sigo (7.45)
SCHOOLS MATCH: Full Film Trophy:
Second-round anglay: Reading v Bournamouth (at Paimer Park, 7.45pm). SRU Inter-district championship coitish Borders v Caledonia (at Riverside, Jectourgh, 7.0)...

OTHER SPORT

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UNLET SUSSEX COUNTY LEAGUE: First children: Hassocks 2 Wick 1.
ENDSLEIGH INSURANCE MIDLAND COMBRANTON: Premier division: Meir K. A. 3. Bolefull Swifts 1; Worcester 4 Wellesbourns 0.
EWSON WESSEX LEAGUE: First division: Cowes Sports 2 Eastleigh 0.
GLBERT LEAGUE CUP: First round, first leg: Part Town 3. Welshpool 1; Praysider Town 1 Cermetrien Town 1; Praysider Town 1 Cermetrien Town 1.

JAPANESE GRAND PRD: Revised world championship positions: Drivers: 1, M Schumacher (Sel) 785ts; 2, J Visereuse (Carl) 77: 3, H-H Frentzen (Gor) 41: 4, J Alasi (F) 36: 5, D Coultherd (GB) 30: 6, G Berger (Ger) 24

Cittorville 1 Portadown 1
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Second qualifying round replay; Burton 3
Bromsgrovs 2 (set; 2-2 after 90 mins); Walton and Hershein 2 Stanes 1; Sutton 2
Camberley 1; Welling 2 Sames 1; Sutton 2
Camberley 1; Welling 2 Full Film Trophy; Second round: Torbey 5 West Comwell 2. Hartlepool Hospital Curr. Middlesthrough 3
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UEFA CUP: First round, second lagReptey. Spartak Moscow (Russ) 5 Son (Setz) 1 (Spartak Moscow win 8-7 on seg) ITALIAN CUP: Third round, first leg: Analarda 3 Bologna 1: Fiorestina 1 Pescara C, Udinese 2 AS Porma 2, Juventus 2 Locce C, Faceriza 0 Internazionale 3: Parma 2 Bari 1. BISLEY: Trefelgar Trophy (teems at 300, 600, 500 and 1000 yards): 1, Royal Navy 1688 130pts (J Mackey 175.18); 2, Royal Marries 1828 108 (F Hughes 178.20) Farewell to Arms meeting (teems of three): u; Piacenza U Hernisoniale 3; Parma 2 Beri 1. SPANISH LEAGUE: Rasi Sociedad 2 Celta Vigo 1; Deponiso La Courla 1 Real Valiadolid 3; Salemanius 0 Oviedo 2; Aládico Macind 4 Menda 0; Español 1 Compostela 0; Sporting Gajón 0 Real Madrid 2; Valencia 1 Athletic Sibao 1; Betis 3 Real Zisagoza 3; Tenerte 2 Racing Sayamder 2. Mannes 1828 109 (R Hughes 178.2b)
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1, RAF 3,340, 2, BPC 3,234; 3, London and
Middleses 3,291, 4, British women's pistol
essociation 3,272.
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ritle (inclividual): 1, Cpl Artis Cross (TA) 187;
2, Cpl C McKee (Royel Irish Regiment) 198;
3, Mayor, A McLeod (Royel Scots) 185.
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Marieu (So) 9-1, 9-0, 9-0; R Cooper (Aus) bit S Cook (N2) 9-7, 9-4 ret Second round: Wingin (Eng) bit Beams 9-3, 9-1, 9-0; ilveng bit Grainger 9-6, 9-4, 2-9, 9-8; C Owens (Aus) bit J Martin (Eng) 8-10, 6-9, 9-2, 9-4, 9-2 C Jacoman (Eng) bit C Notic (SA) 9-2, 9-4, 10-8; Horner bit Geaves 9-2, 4-9, 9-4, 9-1, M Martin (Aus) bit J. Joyce (N2) 9-5, 9-3, 8-0; This-Gensib bit Cooper 9-3, 9-3, 9-6, S Schöne (Ser) bit J. Cherman (Eng) 9-4, 9-0, 9-4.

ICE HOCKEY NATIONAL LEAGUE (NIH.): Carolina 3 Suffaio 3 (OT); Toronso 4 Detroit 3; Florida 2 Tampa Bay 1; Monteaal 1 Pitisburgh 1 (OT); Ottawa 5 New York Rangers 1: Westington 2 Chicago 0; Colonado 8 Edmonton 2: Ansheim 2 Prisadelphia 2 (OT); Boston 5 Ios Anseles 3

MOTOR RACING

SNOOKER

**SPEEDWAY** 

POOLE: John Scott International Trophy: England 49 United States 47. YOUNG SHIELD: Pirst round, second log; Long Eaton 49 Arene Essex 42 (Long Eaton win 92-87 on agg).

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ALEXANDRIA: Egyptian Open: Quarter-finals; Jancher Khan (Plot) bi A Barada (Egypt) 10-15, 15-16: 15-13, 15-12; P Nicot (Soet) bi S Pario (Eng) 11-15, 15-8, 16-7, 15-12; J Power (Carl) bi A Hall (Aua) 15-7, 15-8, 15-9; D Harris (Eng) bi J Bonetat (Fr) 15-13, 15-5, 15-6.

SYDNEY: Women's world chemplonehie:
First round: S Wright (Eng.) bt T Weeks
(Aus) 10-9, 9-3, 8-7, P Beams (NZ) bt N OSTRAVA: Man's tournament: First round: G Nemseur. (Cro) bt J Semernik (Hol) 5-7, 6-3, 8-3; S Bruguers (Sp.) bt P Luta (C2) 6-3, 8-3; T Muser (Austra) bt P Kreier. (C2) 6-1, 6-3; B Ulffrach. (C2) bt M Rosses (Switz) 6-3, 6-2 Second round: K Kusers (Storylat) bt P Kinsen (Ca) 6-3, 8-7, 7-8; J Novak (C2) bt C Moyè (Sp) 6-4, 6-4; Muster bt P Heartius (Hol) 6-3, 7-6; M Norman (Swe) bt D Praced (Ge) 6-2, 6-4; Maniseva (Cro) w/o M Dermi (C2) str. (S Bruguers (Sp) bt 7 Tarango (US) 7-6, 3-6, 6-4; D Nargeso (Ri to F Korda (C2) 4-6, 6-2, 7-6, 8 Ulfmach (Cz) bt J Kroslak (Slovelde) 6-4, 6-2, 8-2

WORD WATCHING Answers from page 43

STEILER (b) Peter Steller, manager of the Englischer Hof in Meiringen, Switzerland in The Final Problem. "It was on the third of May [1891]

DUNDAS SEPARATION

was a founding member. "There are many men in London, you know, who, some from shyness, some from misanthropy, have no wish for the company of their fellows. Yet they are not averse to comfortable chairs and the latest periodicals. It is for the convenience of these that the Diogenes Club was started, and it now

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# Star is born as Pazienza wins fight for his life

By Srikumar Sen, boxing correspondent

who stepped out of a movie, it is Vinnie Pazienza. There is nothing about the fast-talking, wise-cracking, 34-year-old from Rhode Island that is not stranger than fiction. The former International Boxing Federation (IBF) world lightweight champion, who is now campaigning as a super-middleweight, is not just a throw-back to the good old days of boxing, he is also cast in the mould of the tough Italian fighters of the Forties and Fifties - Marciano, La

Motta, Graziano, Basilio. Pazienza arrived in London yesterday to publicise his bout with Herol Graham, of Sheffield, on December 6. "After I

beat Graham I want to fight Robin Reid, as he is the The war is WBC [World Boxonly over ing Council] champion," Pazienza when you quit said. "It's a green belt, I want it had-— and I ly as it matches the colour of my couch never quit' If Graham's re-

discovery of his youthful energy and enthusiasm against the world-rated Chris Johnson last July was incredible, the fact that Pazienza is fighting at all is little short of miraculous. The courage and determ-

ination that he showed in gening back into the ring after a car accident in Rhode Island in 1991 is the very stuff of movies. Indeed, Hollywood is already making a film of his career entitled Life and Soul, with Christian Slater playing

The doctors said that Pazienza would never walk again. His neck and spine were shattered and he was in serious danger of being paralysed for life. Jim Burchfield, his manager, said: "His head and body was only held together by a thin nerve. If that

IF EVER there was a boxer had gone he would have been dead or paralysed. The doc-tors said: Vinnie you're never going to fight again', and Vinnie said: 'Doc, you don't know. I am Vinnie Pazienza -I'm going to fight again." Pazienza put on 20lbs in

hospital, eating chocolates. and went home after a month wearing a steel head brace with four screws embedded half an inch into his skull that held metal pipes around his head. Despite opposition from his family and doctors, he started training secretlyat his home. One day he was found lifting weights using his neck muscles. He was invited by Foxwood's Casino to use its health and training facilities

in Connecticut. "It was not to see if he could fight, but just to see if he could get into shape," Burchfield doctor gave the approval to spar. The accident also gave Vinnie another

comfort level of a new weight. He always had trouble making the weight and every time he lost a fight it was because of this problem. He had so much trouble making the weight that he developed an ulcer." Although Pazienza became world champion at lightweight, making 9st 6lb left him dehydrated. Pazienza came back in 1992

as a middleweight and strung nine wins together, including victories against LLoyd Honeyghan, Robbie Sims, Dan Sherry and Roberto Duran, twice. The most quoted words of the "Pazmanian Devil" are: "It's like I'm always on the inside of a coffin trying to get out. I'm always trying to overcome some obstacle all the time. The war is only over when you quit and I never quit."



Pazienza talks about his incredible life at his press conference yesterday

After being stopped in six rounds by Roy Jones, the IBF super-middleweight champi-on, in June 1995, Pazenzia surprised the experts by beating Dana Rosenblatt in four rounds in Atlantic City in August last year, but earned a \$5,000 fine and a 90-day suspension, from the New Jersey State Athletic Commission for knocking down the referee, Tony Orlando. Pazienza didnot stop hitting Rosenblatt once he had him going and when Orlando

stepped in to save Rosenblatt from further punishment, he received two blows and slumped to the floor.

Pazienza said yesterday: "I like Tony Orlando a lot, but Larry Hazzard [the New Jersey Commissioner] sent the letter three weeks after the fight that I was suspended and that I would have to pay a small fine. So I wrote back to him pleading temporary insanity. If people can get off murder raps for temporary insanity I was sure I could get.

9.00pm

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off throwing two punches after the ref jumped in."

As Pazienza has not yet paid the fine, he is still suspended and will not be able to box in London until it is. Frank Maioney, the promoter of the London bout, who is prepared to offer Reid, and Joe Calzaghe, the World Boxing Organisation champion, \$ million to face the winner of the Graham-Pazienza bout, should not have too much trouble in finding \$5,000 to see that the contest goes ahead.

# **RUGBY LEAGUE**

# **McDermott** gets Great Britain call

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

BRIAN MCDERMOTT has been called into the Great Britain squad for the British Gas international series against Australia next month. The 27-year-old Bradford Bulls prop forward has been brought into the 22-man squad after the refusal of Western Suburbs to release the former Leeds and Widnes forward, Harvey Howard.

McDermott, who toured the southern hemisphere with Britain a year ago, joined up with Andy Goodway's squad at their north Manchester

training centre yesterday. Phil Lowe the Britain manager, said: With a little more than three weeks before the first international, we decided that we could not wait to see if Harvey was released. Brian had a big season for the Bulls and we are very happy that he was available to come into the squad. His game is direct and strong, which will make him the ideal kind of player to face

Australia." Britain are still waiting to hear from the Australian Rugby League as to whether the Wigan pair of Jason Robinson and Gary Connolly will be available for the series.

The 24-year dispute between the governing bodies running professional and amateur rugby league in Britain finally showed signs of ending yesterday. The wrangling that has affected the sport since amateur officials broke away to set up the British Amateur Rugby league Association (Barla) in 1973 was cast aside at a meeting at Brighouse, West Yorkshire.

The first step towards reunification was taken when Sir Rodney Walker, chairman of the Rugby Football League (RFL) and Mike Morrissey. his Barla counterpart, put their signatures to the settingup of a joint-policy board. Sir Rodney will chair the new board, which will comprise five members each from the RFL and Barla. A youth commission has been established to resolve the thorny subject of rugby league at schoolboy and student levels.

### TELEVISION CHOICE

# A nasty sting in this tale

Having recently given us a series of elaborately reconstructed international rescues, the 999 team reconstructed international rescues, the 999 team returns with more modest incidents from nearer home. Which is not to say that they did not frighten the victims, though all happily recovered and are here to tell their stories. It is particularly good to see the smiling face of five-year-old Matilda, after hearing how she was stung more than 100 times by a swarm of bees while on a school trip. As proof that it is not being simply voyeuristic, her story is linked with first-aid advice. We also hear how a mobile delibrillator was used to save the life of a mobile defibrillator was used to save the life of a fairground worker whose heart had stopped. And two surfers who had been caught by a riptide and spent five hours in the sea recall how a beam of light from a strobe armband led to their rescue.

# BBC2, 8.30pm

Alan Titchmarsh and the garden makeover team are in Milton Keynes where Smart, a prison officer, has spent two years trying to build a gazebo. In his absence, Titchmarsh and company decide to finish it, while also creating a pond, a formal garden and a croquet lawn. The appeal of this series is not only the endless banter it provokes but the unexpected setbacks. The other week it was a neighbour objecting to a new garden shed. Tonight the shocks are supplied by Stuart's partner, Julie. Rather late in the day, after a big hole has been dug in the lawn, she announces that Stuart dislikes formal gardens. There is worse. She did not realise the job was to take 48 hours and Stuart is on his way home a day early. It is a good thing Titchmarsh is on hand, for there can be nobody better to charm away a crisis.

### Dangerfield

BBC1, 9.30pm One of the pluses of the current series has been minimal appearances by Dr Paul Dangerfield's tiresome children. The poor man has got enough to do without having to drop everything and minister to the wretched Al and Marty. Besides, the show works better when its main plot is not constantly interrupted. There is a meaty tale tonight, based on

George Burns, Walter Matthau (BBCl)

what could be a double bluff. In the opening sequence we apparently see a young man stranging his piritiend after a row. This gives us a strangling his girlifiend after a row. This gives us a start on the police, who are alerted when the young woman goes missing. But supposing that what we saw was not a murder at all? The puzzle is neatly sustained, with a surprise or two along the way. It is good to see Bill Wallis's Dr Nick featuring strongly and there is a memorably edgy performance by Julian Rhind-Tutt as the putative killer.

### Parkinson: The Interviews BRC1: times vary

Walter Matthau and George Burns had just made. The Sunshine Boys when they came on Michael Parkinson's show in 1976 and, sure enough, the film gets generous mention. On the other hand, why not? It is an enjoyable movie and it represented a remarkable comeback for Burns whose previous screen appearance had been in 1939. Moreover, playing one half of a music-half double act was his first acting part and he was getting on for 30. Facing Parky, the two men from the Lower East Side are in fine form. Manthau shows his ability to do accents and demonstrates how his moither walked when she had too many cups of tea and needed to go somewhere fast. But cups of tea and needed to go somewhere fast. But when it comes to telling jokes Matthau is hopeless and it is left to Burns, the wily old vaudevillian, to show him how.

Peter Waymark

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The oysier has never much appealed to me as a source of sustenance or indeed pleasure, but in my case the timing has been wrong oysters began as cheap food for the masses long before I was around, became too exclusive (and therefore too expensive) when I was young and, now that they are cheaper again, have somehow lost their allure. Cheaper, but are they as cheap as they could be?

Simon Parkes, who presents the programme this week, has been bouncing around in boats off the east coast of England and he is returning with a

WORLD SERVICE

Radio 2, 9.15pm

I would wager that most people who recall this story do so from its film version, made by Ken. Loach in 1969, and would probably remember it as a rather sentimental story of a boy and his kestrel. Indeed, that is exactly how I remember it. So this, the start of an eight-part reading adapted from the original Barry Hines novel, A Kestrel for a Knave. original party runes novel, A Kestrel for a Krave, is a welcome reminder that Kes is in fact a tale from a gritty, sombre background in a northern mining town. The boy, Billy, is abused at home. He is about to leave school, qualified only to work down the nearest pit, a prospect that horrifies him. But when he takes a young kestrel from a nest his outlook changes radically. The reader is Stephen Tompkinson.

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transcr Philips (Le Rossignol); Purcell (Checonne,
Timon of Athers); Ground (With Him He Brings
the Partner); Rameau (L'Entreties des Muses;
Royer, Zaide; Allemende); Forqueray (Suite No 3
in D. excepts); Vivalid, transcr Bach (Concerto In
G minor, 9W975)

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9.45 Gerry's Bar, with Geny Anderson (3/4)
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10.00 (LW) An Act of Worship
10.15 (LW) On This Day, with Geoffrey Wheeler
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12.25pm The Food Programme. See Choice (f) 12.55
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the history of outdoor advertising
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6.00am Alan Mann 9.00 Henry Kelly. Includes the Hall of Fame Hour and the Classic Masterpiece 1.00pm Listener Request Hour 2.00 Concerto. Mozant (Violin Concerto No 1 in B fiet) Sonsta. Mozart (Motin Conferent No. 1 in B 1881)
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(Symphony No. 4 in C minor, Tragic) 10.00 Michael Mappin
2.00em Concerto (r) 4.00 Sally Peterson

5.00 in Tune, with Sean Refferty and guests from the Westord Opera Festival

7.30 Performance on S. A concert, recorded last week in the City Hall, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Northern Sinfornia under Jean-Bernard Pommiler, piano, With Sybille Ehlert, soprano, Braidley Crestwick, violin. Tekemistau (Rain Coming); Stravinsky (Two Ballmont Songs; Three Japanese Lyrics); Dutilleux (Mystere de l'Instanti; Telemistau (Nostaigia); Ravel (Plano Concerto in G)

9.10 Postacripti: Poets' Fan Mall. The American poet Mark Doby reads his Letter to Wall Whitman (5/5)

9.25 Oxbridge Organus. The first in a four-part series of recitals from the smaller chapels of Oxford and Cambridge colleges, David Sanger plays an all-French, programme on the new two-manual organ

Cambridge colleges. David Sanger plays an all-French programme on the new two-manual organ in Exeter College Chape!

10.00 Hear and Now. Sarah Walker presents a concert given earlier this evening at St Paul's Church, Knightsbridge. BBC Singers, Endymion Ensemble, Christopher Bowers-Broedbert, organ, under Simon Joly. Includes Simon Bainbridge (Elotis, first performance); Gabriel Jackson (A Vision of Aliptenes, first performance); James MacMillan (Wedding Istrott); Part (Puzzle, first performance); Kavin Yokars (Welking Song); David Knotts (New work); Kaiji Searlaho (Nutts, Adleud)

11.30 Composers of the Week: Dufay, Binchols and Their Contemporaries (f)

12.30am Documenting the Blues. The first of a new series exploring early black music (1/8) (f)

1.00 Through the Might with Donald Macleod

9.00 News 9.05 Desert Island Discs (r)

12.00 News, You and Yours. Consumer news and current attains with Mark Whittaker
12.25pm The Food Programme. See Choice (/) 12.55

7.00 News 7.05 The Archera
7.20 Pick of the Week. Chris Serie presents his selection of extracts from 8BC radio and television

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9.59 Weather
10.00 The World Tonight
10.45 Book at Bedfune: The Story of Mr Sommer, by
Patrick Suskind, translated by Michael Hoffman
and read by Alistair McGoven (3/3) (r)
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Glover, Sally Grace, Dave Lamb and Serah
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11.25 Fourth Column. A sideways look at the week
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of the New York Peace Academy, shares
precidions for the future (8/8) (r)

News: 12.30am The Late Book: The Drowned World, by J.G. Bellard. Read by Nicholas Farrell (8/10) (j) 12.48 (LW) Shipping Forecast 1:00 As World Service

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# Uninvited? Yes, but I'm sad to see them go

I realise now was an impor-tant telephone call. "Sorry, darling," drawled this very pukka sort of chap, "going to be a late one, I'm afraid — can you set the video for nine o'clock?" Ah, I thought, a man anxious not to miss A Dance to the Music of Time. His wife clearly thought the same but both she and I were wrong. "No, not that," hissed the man, his voice falling to an embarrassed whisper, the one we've been watching on ITV -- you know, The Whatever.

He meant The Uninvited (ITV). and he had nothing to be embarassed about. From beginning to and, the story of the Norfolk-based thens with the ping-pong ball eyes ias been a treat. Last night, sadly, ve did reach the end. It was simply case of which Peter Bowker, the

more familiar one from just about blowing up power stations around everything else? The suspense went right down to the razor wire when our hero found himself trapped in a nuclear bunker, surrounded by a couple of dozen top baddies, armed only with an are and an increasingly soppy girlfriend. The situation was grim and the odds were definitely

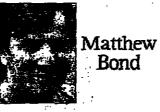
against them - unless . . . But long before then there had been a definite last episode feeling about proceedings. Suddenly the plot started moving along at a rate that would make A Dance to the Music of Time look sluggish. It wasn't saline that killed aliens, discovered Sarah (Caroline Lee Johnston), the clever pathologist, it was pure oxygen. They must prefer an atmosphere

rease of which Peter Bowker, the vriter; would go for. Would it be the one from Invasion of the nation overdrive. They had been lodysnatchers, when the aliens attracted here by 20th-century in the day, or would it be the

the world and planned to finish us off by detonating nuclear bombs in Antarctica and blowing the ozone layer to alien kingdom come. Suddenly, it all made sense. Didn't it?

n truth, it didn't matter. Somehow you knew that this clever pathologist would want to test her theory by asking the head alien (Leslie Grantham) to put on an oxygen mask, neatly ensuring that at least one goodie would not be making it to the final credits. Make making it to the imal credits. Make that two, I thought, as Joanna (Sylvestra Le Tonzel) gamely skipped off to take the whole story right to the top. What had she been doing for the first three episodes — didn't she know "the top" was riddled with wall-eyed carbon guipers?

Throughout, my one slight con-cern had been whether what I was enjoying was what its makers had intended. Was it deadly serious or



tongue in cheek? Reassurance. came last night, as Grantham used his superior alien mental powers to track Steve (Douglas Hodge) with an accuracy quite beyond Homo sapiens. "I wonder if he does racing tips?" mused a Norfolk policeman. Congratula-tions to all — mainly for keeping a straight face.

Keeping a straight body is the problem facing Ian Waterman.

The slightest lapse in concentration, as we learnt in a first-class Horizon (BBC2), and he's likely to end up a crumpled heap on the ground. That's because of an affliction that should belong to science fiction, but sadly doesn't. All the nerves that tell his brain where his body is have been destroyed, probably by his own immune system after it set about attacking a virus and got horribly carried away. The amazing thing is that Waterman, barring a slight peculiarity of gait, walks, talks and moves just like the rest of us.

For a nervous 15 minutes or so, as we dwelt on the man and his condition. I thought the programme wasn't going to give us the how and the why. But eventually the science arrived to banish any slight freak show leanings, and we were off.

It would be wrong to call what arrived "medicine", as that would imply there was a cure. There isn't.

Waterman still can't feel anything below his neck and probably never will, but the way he has overcome his disability offers hope for the handful of patients around the world with the same condition and offers his specialists a remarkable research opportunity. Thankfully, it's an interest he shares.

The research largely con-firmed what Waterman already knew: that he had recovered control of his limbs by a mix of visualisation and vision. First he imagined the movement he wanted to make and then he used his eyes to make sure his limbs were actually doing it. It took a little while to realise that without touch, without proprioception (a term perhaps unwisely introduced within the first minute) that this process had to be repeated for every step, every gesture, every single physical task he undertakes. Waterman compared the effort to

running a marathon every day: an underestimate.

Elsewhere, A Dance to the Music of Time (Channel 4) danced on, perhaps not quite as annoyingly as last week but certainly not far off. Particularly frustrating for those who had worked hard on the who's who" was that half of them barely turned up in this second instalment. Stringham arrived merely to confirm that he was drinking too much and Templar to show that his choice of cars was still better than his choice of women. In their place were an awful lot of Tolland sisters, who married or had affairs with all the men who were left.

Mind you, they all did better than Uncle Giles (Edward Fox) who pitched up just in time to die That made the score for the night two sudden deaths, umpteen weddings and just the one, apparently now statutory, full-frontal nude. Or don't mad housemaids count?

### 0am Business Breakfast (13949) 0 BBC Breakfast News (1) (82510659) 5 Can't Cook, Won't Cook (T) (3688543) 0 Style Challenge (1025433) 5 Kilroy (T) (3004320) 5 Change That (8110340)

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her for a lift (r) (T) (1253) Nine O'Clock News (I) regional news and weather (3833)

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signing) (9412920) 7,15 Telefubbles (r) (6725340) 7,40 Smurfs' (1) (7851307) 8.35 Smart (1) (1) (7851307) 8.30 William's Wish. Wellingtons (2409659) 8.35 Wishing (1) (7234727) 8.45 Harry and the Hendersons (1) (9421727).

9.10 Music Makers (7980388) 9.30 Watch (8433833) 9.45 Come Outside (8438388) 10.00 Telehabbies (70659) 10.30 Look and Read. (7335272) 10.50 The Art. (7355036) 11.10 Landmarks (T) (5110036) 11.30 English. File (2340) 12.00 Scane. Part one (T) (35901)

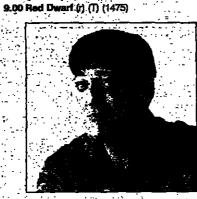
12.30pm Working Lunch (62543).
1.00 The Little Polar Bear (r) (55820098)
1.05 Pingo (r) (55829369) 1.10 The Countryside Hour: The Isle of Man and the Western Isles (7441611).

2.10 Indoor Bowls: Bups Open The first of today's best-of-five-sets quarter-final matches (94340901)

6.00 The Simpsons Homer almost bankrupts himself trying to prove he really does love Lisa (T) (370920) 6.25 Star Trek (r) (T) (850543) 7.15 Electric Circus New series. Showbiz

news, including an interview with the Spice Girls and Zoe Bati's first day at Radio 1 (759833) 7.30 Top Gear Motorsport The climax of the Eurocar chempionship; a review of the British Formula 3 season; promising newcomers to Superbikes (104)

8.00 The Big Conteh Liam Dale attempts to land a conger ear during a trip to Cornwall (T) (7348) Ground Force A Milton Keynes resident has his gazebo project transformed (T) (2123)



Stephen Fry joins in the fun (9.30pm)

9.30 Shooting Stars Stephen Fry, Sid Owen, Kate Robbins and Tara Palmer-Tomkinson join captains Mark Laman and Unite Jonsson for another round of the madcap game show (I) (82307) 10.00 Pick in Mix Animal moments from the

cornecty archives (36630) 10.30 Newwight (1) (802185) 11.15 VR 5 With Lot Singer (1) (687036)

12.00-2.48am Farewell, My Concubine (1993) Drame set in 1920s China, focusing on the triendship between two successful opera stars over a period of 50 years, and the complex romantic triangle that develops when they both tall for a beautiful Peking prostitute. Chen Kaige's Cannes winner, which was also nominated for several Oscars, starring Leslie Cheung, Zhang Fengyi and Gong Li. In Mendarin with English subtitles

> Chariton's Footbell Scrapbook (64956185) 3.30 Fouestrianism (73033524) 5.00 V-Max Cristion's Footbes Scrapbook (9455185) 3.50 Equatrianter (7303324) S.00 V-Max. (65816253) B.30 Golf. Top. Club Trophy (26770200) 6.30 High Five (97128456) 7.00 World Cub Champlorship (82847727) 9.00 Edward Spott (25629104) 9.30 Formula One Potentions (87521302) 10.00 West-

7.30em Football (22104) 9.86 Motorcycling research 11.80 Schadworld (88104) 12.00

7.30am Footbeil (22104) 9.00 Motorcycling [5820] 11.00 Speadwold (88104) 12.00 Live Women's Temple (98578) 1.30pm Mod-ern Pentathion (62104) 2.30 Motorsports (31104) 2.30 Footbeil (10359) 5.30 Live Women's Tembe (4833) 9.00 Live Tembe (72553) 97.30 Live Tembe (55272) .00 Bosting (98659) 10.00 Sumo (52748) 11.00 Fur Sports (67562) 11.30 Filmss (64369) 12.30em Chee

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Windonsahen, Pet (69922562) 10:35 Man Behsahing Badly (5618253) 11:10 The Bast of Old Grey Whistle Test (9003746) 11:45 Rock Goes to College (3536874) 12:25am.

in Profile (\$101750) 1.05 Live at Jongleurs

ting (29610456) 12,00 Close

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UK GOLD

### 6.00am GMTV (4833582) 9.25 Supermarket Sweep (1) (3684727) 9.55 Regional News (2933122) 10.00 The Time, the Place (67165)



Richard and Judy present (10.30am)

10.30 This Morning with Richard Madeley and 12.20pm Regional News (8996388) 12.30 News (T) and weather (5323920)

12.55 WALES: Grass Roots Magazine about the Welsh countryside (r) (1) (5309611)

12.55 Dogs with Dunber Sign language for deat dogs (5308611) 1.25 Home and Away (1) (76775098) 1.50 Murder, She Wrote (r) (9810272) 2.50 WALES: The Pulse (I) (9168678)

2.50 Garden Calendar (1) (9168678) 3.20 News (T) (4729659) 3.25 Regional News (1) (4711630)

3.30 Jays' World (8835291) 3.40 Titch (9328562) 3.50 Oscar and Friends (9324746) 4.00 Roger and the Rottentrolls (T) (8210611) 4.15 The Best of Hey Arnold! (6099388) 4.40 Fun House (T) (1454720)

5.10 A Country Practice (3707291) 5.40 News (T) and weather (530949) 6.00 Home and Away (r) (T) (374746) 6.25 HTV Weather (250727) 6.30 HTV News (T) (746) 7.00 Bruce's Price is Right (1) (1494)

7.30 Coronation Street (1) (630) 8.00 The Bill Ackland and Jarvis search for the truth when a lawyer's former boylnend admits stabbling her fiancé (T) (7814) 8.30 Strange But True? A special episods

introduced by Michael Aspel investigating the so-called curse of 9.00 Catherine Cookson's the Rag Nymph In the final part of this drama, Mil transformed the rag and bone yard into a

thriving bakery, but her personal life is not such a success (T) (5543) 10.00 News at Ten (1) and weather (30456) 10.29 Regional Weather (409727) 10.30 Missing (1982) Jack Lemmon and Sissy Spacek star in this powerful political drama in which a father travels to Chile to

find his son, who disappeared in the 1973 military coup. Directed by Constanin Costa-Gavras (62121839) 12.55 The Paul Ross Show (847168) 2.30 18 Again (1988) with George Burns, Charlie Schalatter and Tony Roberts. Comic tale about an octogenarian whose

wish to be 18 again is granted. Directed by Paul Flaherty (237627) 4.10 Collins and Maconie's Movie Club (r)

4.35 Coach (r) (56030031) 5.00 Coronation Street (r) (T) (86234) 5.30 News (46031)

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3.25 Saywetch (3806741)

As HTV West except: 12.55pm-1.25 A Country Practice (5308611) 2.50-3.20 Our House (9168678) 5.10-5.40 Shortland Street (3707291) 6.25-7.00 Centrel News (754920) 10.40 Central Weekend Live (95384814) 12-15am Campus Cops (5267383) 2.30 The LADS (83708) 3.00 Box Office America (87346673)

### 5.20 Asian Eye (7923586) ME WOUNDY

4.10 Central Jobfinder '97 (6171215)

As HTV West except: 12-20pm-12-30 Illuminations (8988369) 12.55 Home and Away (5308611) 1.25 Spill the Beans (46496123) 1.55 Westcountry Update (71177727) 2.25-3.20 Blue Heelers (8121272) 5.10-5.40 Home and Away (3707291) 6.00-7.00 Westcountry Live (74388)

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12,55-1.25 Shortland Street (5308611) 1.50 Serve You Right (71178456) 2.20-3.20 Highway to Heaven (7875036) 5.10-5:40 Home and Away (3707291) 6.00-7.00 Meridian Tonight (74388) 10.40 Film: Basic Instinct (19943727) 5.00am Freescreen (86234)

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11.30 Scrimpers (7036) 12.00pm Sesame Street (37369) 12.30 Ricki Lake (57611) 1.00 Slot Meithrin (32243524) 1.15 Slot Synladau Sali (32271307) 1.30 lt's a Cat's World (56982) 2.00 Racing from Newmarket (2456) 4.00 Fifteen-to-One (659) 4.30 Out of Africa (543) 5.00 5 Pump (4259901) 5.15 Mynd Drot Drot (2929098) 5.30 Countdown (123) 6.10 Heno (862388) 7.00 Pobol v Cwm (495123) 7.25 Y Sloe Gelf (408659) 8.00 Yma Mae 'Nghan (5456) 8.30 Newyddion (7291)

9.00 Rhwng Daw a Dyn (3185) 10.00 Brookside (918098) 10.35 Friends (510369) 11.05 Jo Brand: Like It or Lump It (457727) 11,35 King of the Hill (420833) 12.05am TFI Friday (3201321) 1.10 Film: The Game of Death (923925) 2,45 Strange Boarders (197050)

7.00 The Big Breakfast (67807) 9.00 Schools: Off Limits (3605210) 9.25 Schools at Work (3598603) Eureka! (8531429) 9.45 Stop, Look, Listen (6003806) 10.02 Lost Animals (3246142) 10.10 TVM (2301177) 10,25 Caraidea (2399332) 10.40 Top (745744) 11.00 Robert Burns (6270535) 11.15 Stage One (63713500)

CHANNEL 4

5.55am Sesame Street (54889)

11.30 Scrimpers How to avoid losing your credit cards (2/6) (r) (7036) 12.00 Sesame Street (37369)

12.30pm Light Lunch (83765) 1,30 Dan Pearson: Routes Around the World (1/6) (r) (T) (56982)

2.00 Racing from Newmarket The 2.05, 2.35, 3.10 and 3.40 races (2456) 4.00 Fifteen-to-One (T) (659) 4.30 Countdown (T) (8637253)

4.55 Ricki Lake: You'd Change If You Could Spend a Day in My Shoes (T) 5.30 Pet Rescue (1) (123)

6.00 TFI Friday The guests include Elle Macpherson (65630) 7.00 Channel 4 News (T) (152833) 7.55 The Political Slot (179833)



Dan Pearson visits Tokyo (8.00pm)

8.00 Dan Pearson: Routes Around the World in Tokyo, Dan finds a garden designed for night-time viewing and discovers the green comidors that grow along the narrow urban alleyways (2/6) (1) (5456)

8.30 Brookside Has Christian finally driven Rachel too tar? (1) (7291)

9.00 Friends: The One The Morning After After falling out with Rachel, Ross finds consolation into Chice's arms; his guilt his compounded by the arrival of Rechel (T) (750475)

9.35 Cybill: The Wedding Ira, Cybill and Zoe attend (T) (540253) 10.00 Frasier: Roz's Krantz and

Gouldenstein are Dead Roz fears she may be the angel of death (T) (38098) 10.30 Jo Brand; Like It or Lump It (1) 11.05 King of the Hill Bobby discovers a talent

for target shooting (T) (457727) 11.35 TFI Friday (r) (227388) 12.40am The Game of Death (1979) Bruce

Lee's final film, completed after his death.

Directed by Robert Clouse (697645) 2.15 Strange Boarders (b/w, 1938) Ronald Adam and Google Withers. A secret service agent investigates the death of a woman found with classified Mason (T) (105079) 3.45 Page 73 (4974128)

4.30 Takeover TV (15234) 5.00 Captein Buffer (1/6) (r) (1) (4706079)

### CHANNEL 5

CHANNEL 5 ON SATELLITE Channel 5 is now broadcasting on transponder No 63 on the Astra Satellite. Viewers with a Videocrypt decoder will be able to receive the channel free of charge. Frequencies for transponder No 63 are picture: 10.92075 GHz; sound: 7.02 and 7.20 MHz

6.00am 5 News Early (2758727)

7.30 Milkshake (7771524) 7.35 USA High (r) (4127386) 8.00 Havakazoo (r) (8152123) 8.30 WideWorld A new series exploring the world of art (1/15) (8151494)

9.00 One in Three: Coping with Cancer (r) (5324475) 10.00 Exclusive (r) (6070098) 10.30 The Car Show (r) (8131630) 11.00 Leeze Chat show (2165253) 11.50 Double Espresso (r) (44056746) 12.00 The Bold and the Beautiful (T) (8122982)

**12.30pm** Family Affairs (r) (7960663) 1.00 5 News Update (99922307) 1.05 Sunset Beach (T) (1189659) 2.00 5's Company (4466765)

3.30 How to Murder a Millionaire (1990) starring Joan Rivers as a Beverty Hills housewife convinced her husband is trying to kill her. A comedy directed by Paul Schneider (3599524)

5.20 5's Company: Late Extra (55745833) 5.30 Whittle (1) (8135746) 6.00 100 Per Cent (8132659) 6.30 Family Affairs (1) (8118611) 7.00 Name That Tune



Boy George on fashion (7.30pm)

7.30 Exclusive presented by Boy George. The highs and lows in celebrity tashion (8145123) 8.00 Jenny Eclair Squats (6999949)

8.30 5 News (T) (6978456)

9.00 Stalking Laura (1993) with Brooke Shields and Richard Thomas. A thriller about a young man whose crush on a workmate turns to an obsession. Directed by Michael Switzer (69082104) 10.50 La Femme Mikita Female special agent

adventures (3410253) 11,45 Perfume of the Cyclone (1990) starring Kris Kristofferson as a Chicago cop on a tropical island trying to save his daughter

from the clutches of a white-slave trader. Directed by David Irving (6140098) 1.25am Night of Courage (1986) starring Barnard Hughes. A drama about a young Puerto Rican who is persecuted by a

gang when he starts dating a white girl. Elliot Silverstein directs (3985505) 3.15 Dreams of Gold: The Mei Fisher Story (1986) starring Cliff Robertson and Loretta Swit. The story of a man

Spanish galleon James Goldstone directs (5319876) 4.45 Night Stand Socol chat show (2292012) 5,30 100 Per Cent (r) (5372012)

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Morning Glory (423727) 9.00 Regis the Lee (76920) 10.00 Another 12388) 11.00 Days of Our Lives (7185) 7,00 The Simpsons (1272) "A"S"H (3369) 8.00 Highlander 3.00 Walker, Texas Ranger (66307) dra Time (63562) 10.30 Stand and 60962) 11.00 Star Treit. The Nast on (43017) 12.00 Late Show 1.00mm Long Play (1327925)

1,00pm Esther and the (19562) 3.00 Color Me Po (28543) 5.00 Senoley and (1977) (08404) 7.00 Rev (1977) (28404) 7.00 Revenge or Panther (1978) (22901) 9.00 The eath (1995) (51846543) 10.40 The Show (159272) 11.10 Cyberella ion Pessions (1986) (283656) n Love Potton (1986) (633496) stantiber (1983) (5547726) 3.40 Obsession (1893) (54505296) JOVIE CHANNEL

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SKY SPORTS 1 7.00em Sports Centre (8525s) 7.30 Facing Neive (94398) 8.00 World Clob Chempionship. First — U.M. (55388) 19.00 Gold Dunhill Cup — I.M. (55388) 19.00 Gold Pupply Cub (87585) 8.00 Sports Centre (24220) 7.00 Golf Dunhill Cup (261514) 19.00 Sports Centre (24220) 7.00 Golf Dunhill Cup (261514) 19.00 Sports Centre (84939) 11.00 Floots Centre (85978) 1.00em Wrestling (98234) 2.00 High 5 (86055) 3.20 Powedoat: Formula One (33708) 8.00 Hold: the Back Page (30499) 8.00 Golf Top Cub Trophy (72873)

SKY SPORTS 2 7.00am Aerobics (2408120) 7.30 Sports Certins (2488500) 8.00 Racing News (9751814) 8.30 Tight Lines (9274538) 8.30 Burbu (240 rascherous and em.) 9/51814) 8.30 Tight Lines (927458) 8.30 Rugby Cuts (562678) 21.90 Formula Tittee (2404678) 12.00 Formula One Powerboat (9754901) 12.30pm Footbal League Review (239859) 1.00 Trans World Spori (2324814) 2.00 Watersports World (154845) 3.00 Rebel Sports (2795017) 4.00 Trans World Sport (279524) 5.00 legics the Senter PSA Tour (2382497) 5.30 Estreme Sport (7285307) 8.00 Formula One ingigo the Sentor FSA Tour (SERSAN) 3-30 Editarna Sport (1726/SSD) & 6.05 natural One Powercoan (1727/SSD) & 5.00 Inside the Sontor PGA Tour (1726/SZD) 7-30 Like Football (564/SSA) 10.00 Live US Golf, Disney Classic (1724/SSD) 12.30 am Inside the Sentor PGA Tour (1765/SSD) 1.00 Editarna Sport (SERSAN) 1.30 Trans World Sport (SERSAN) 2.30 Sports Centre (7815/SS) 1.30 US Golf Disney Classic (SST/SSA) SKY SPORTS 3

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Peter Gallagher and Allson Ethott (Sky Movies, 9.00pm)

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# DISNEY CHANNEL

8,00am Dumbo (52388) 6.30 Lamb Chop (56017) 7.00 Chip in Dele (57475) 7.30 Quack Pack (76962) 8.00 Denosurs (1924) 8.30 Bonkers (41123) 9.00 Gunni Beats (52475) 8.30 Grounding Marsh (5539497) 9.65 Mouse and Mole (4244272) 253497 9.55 Mouse and Mole (4244272)
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the Pool (9659099) 11.15 Resic and Jim
(3551712) 11.40 Sing Me a Story (3194746)
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Garage (70050799) 12.45 Winute the Pool
(75003299) 1.00 Sessma Street (77099)
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Pumbea (7982) 4.30 Aladdin (6494) 5.00
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# FOX KIDS NETWORK

6.00mm Delty and His Frends (8580920) 6.30 88y the Cat (2993678) 7.00 Pirocchio (8636949) 7.30 Power Rangers Zeo (8915456) 8.00 Bestiaborus (1901104) (\$615459) 8.00 Bestleborgs (1901104) 8.30 Mesicad Pider (1900475) 9.00 The Magic Box (1991727) 9.30 Dudley the Dragon (2394271) 18.00 Inspector Gadgel (2977530) 18.30 Serrura: Pizza Cata (1980611) 11.00 Sweet Valley High 150044011 \$2.00 Am Merchan (1904391) 6924104) 12.00 Ace Ventura (190 12.30pm Casper (4299807) 1,00 The Tick 12.30pm Casper (#299807) 1.00 The Tate (\$928920) 1.30 from Man (\$646348) 2.00 Featbrailic Four (#809543) 2.30 Featbrailic Four (#809543) 2.30 Featbrailic Four (7279291) 3.00 Seedinoring (#816578) 2.30 Massleed Fider (7281036) 4.00 Ace Vectura (7280543) 4.30 Casper (7286727) 5.00 The Tick (#617123) 5.30 X Man (7260307) 8.00 Sprieman (7270820) 6.30 Sweet Valley High (7251272)

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**CARTOON NETWORK** 

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8.00em Killer Tornstess (10388) 6.30
Asshrif Real Monsters (65765) 7.00 Hey
Ambid (96123) 7.30 Rights (75630) 8.00
Doug (84614) 8.30 Country Mouse and Cly
Mouse (83185) 9.00 CBBC (48415) 8.30
CBBC (10727) 10.00 Winner's House
(56017) 10.30 Baber (4947) 11.00 Magic
School Bus (55727) 11.30 Barraras In
Pyamas (56456) 12.00 Peddington Barr
etc (87901) 12.30pm Portland Bill etc
(14543) 1.00 Dr Seuss (55494) 1.30 Little
Bear Stories (13814) 2.00 Animal Show
(6982) 2.30 CBBC (6291) 3.00 CBBC
(5017) 3.30 Asshrif Real Monsters/Doug
(6036) 4.00 Hey Amold (7543) 4.30
Rugeas (3727) 5.00 Sater Seter (1302)
5.30 Kenen and Kel (7307) 6.00 Sebrra
(7920) 6.30 Keblent (8272) 7.00 Close

TROUBLE 12.00pm Suzn's Crossing (1190369) 12.20 Ready or Not (4965623) 1.00 Mack-son (6616340) 1.30 Sweet Valley High (4994624) 2.00 Saved by the Bell (8263678) son (6818340) 1.30 Sweet Valley High (4984524) 2.00 Sweet by the Bell (225376) 2.30 Sweet's Crossing (2211475) 3.00 No Naised Flame (5242185) 3.30 Pleady or Not (921829) 4.00 Sweet by the Bell (822727) 4.30 (45A High (9291611) 5.00 Hangtime (9247520) 5.30 Sweet Valley High (9215291) 6.00 Bibst (9212104) 6.30 Madison (9203456) 7.00 Hangtime (9267494) 7.30 (45A High (9292340) 8.00 Close

8.00pm The A-Team (9555096) 9.00 Crims Slovy (958852) 10.00 Tour of Duty (9578849) 11.00 FILM: Pridaty Foster (1975) (8097745) 1.00mm Crims Story (9632129) 2.00 Tour of Duty (3145377 3.00 FILM: Friday Foster (1975) (9845682) 5.00 The A-Team (5048296) PARAMOUNT COMEDY

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7.00pm Grace Under Fire (7098) 7.30 Rossanne (4456) 8.30 Eten (6745) 8.30

Cytal (\$253) si.00 Cheers (\$8291) 9.30 Ted (\$4307) 10.00 Monty Python (\$8820) 11.00 Peramount Presents (71083) 11.25 Robin (\$3104) 11.39 Mojntstand (\$5901) 12.00 Soap (\$4234) 12.30em Pig Sty (\$5857) 1.00 Ententamment UK (4438) 1.30 Tea (\$3760) 2.00 Rossenne (125857) 2.25 Robin (7676925) 2.30 Ellen (\$59370) 3.00 Cytal (\$4147) 3.30 Cheers (24950) THE SCI-FI CHANNEL

(1275437) 1,30 Tales of the Unexpected (7783857) 2,00 Dark Shadows (8617789) 2,30 New Alfred Hischcock (8696298) 3,00 Frotay the 13th (1740925) 4,00 Close

# HOME & LEISURE

9.00am Surphy Panling (1106307) 9.30 Gardenen' Diany (4987611) 10.00 The Great Gardening Piot (9691185) 10.30 New Yankee Workshop (1195291) 11.00 Rev Hunt's Fishing Adventures (1339659) 11.30 Hornetime (1339386) 12.00 Geoden Doc-lors, (1198543) 12.30pm Two's County (4998727) 1.00 Sweet Things (6629814) 1.30 Home Agan (4987088) 2.00 Fundation on the Mend (8239524) 2.30 Fundation Walls (3224249) 3.00 Two's County (\$255559) 3.30 This Old House (9229494) DISCOVERY

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£13m fee scares off Ferguson

# United get cold feet over Chile striker

By DAVID MADDOCK

leave before the end of the MANCHESTER United have year, but, yesterday, Alfredo reacted with some amusement Davicci, the president, conto suggestions that they are firming United's interest, admitted that he would be about to pay £13 million for Marcello Salas, a relatively untested 21-year-old forward. prepared to open negotiations - at £13 million. Perhaps coincidentally, that figure also There remains, however, a distinct possibility that the Chile international striker happens to represent the size could eventually arrive at Old of the club's debts. Manchester United will be Trafford.

reluctant to become involved Salas enjoys a burgeoning in any talks that are conducted reputation in South America, one that was enhanced on Saturday when, watched by in such a public manner. However, Alex Ferguson, the manager, indicated yesterday Brian Kidd, the United assistant manager, he scored a hatthat while there is no immeditrick in his country's 4-0 ate prospect of any incoming victory over Peru. Kidd duly transfer, he would monitor gave a favourable report and the situation and could be Martin Edwards, the club prepared to move some time early in the new year, before the deadline for the knockout chairman and chief executive. subsequently made contact with River Plate, the Argenstages of the European Cup tine club that Salas is contractshould United qualify. ed to until 1999, to express an "We are aware of the lad,

but there is no prospect of any transfer at the club at present, he said. We will not The response has been confusing. David Pintado, the be signing anyone until after the Champions' League River Plate vice-president, was reported as asserting that Salas would not be allowed to the

Salas has made a big impression at Old Trafford

Sources within the club suggest that, although Ferguson is interested in signing Salas, he accepts that the club's board would not be willing to pay such a fee for an inexperienced forward. There is also the tricky subject of work permits. Salas has played barely a handful of games for his country and would have difficulty in qualifying under the stringent rules set down by the Department of

Employment. It is a road that United have been down before, when they tried to sign Mauro da Silva, the Brazilian. Edwards would be reluctant to make a further move unless he is confident of a successful outcome.

David Murray, the Rangers chairman, confirmed yesterday that he will allow Paul Gascoigne to leave Glasgow should the player so desire, yet despite reports that Aston Villa had bid £4 million for the England international, his destination is far from certain. Tottenham Hotspur, Gas-coigne's former club, are thought likely to register their interest early next week.

Gascoigne has made no secret of his continuing affection for his former club and is understood to have told several close friends that he would love to return to Tottenham to enhance his chances of playing in the World Cup finals next summer. He will probably have to make a decision within the next week and it will not be easy.

Gascoigne has been inspired by Rangers' attempt to League titles, thus eclipsing Celtic's record, but he recognises several strong reasons for him to move, not least because he is not now guaranteed a first-team place.

Gascoigne also realises that the lack of competition at club level in Scotland could hinder his prospects of playing in France. Rangers are again out of Europe at an early stage and the intense rivalry in the FA Carling Premiership appears far more attractive.

Tottenham have remained quiet on the subject, in part because they are wary of being linked with a big-name player only to lose out, as happened with their attempts to sign Juninho and Fabrizio Ravanelli. There remains, however, a determination at the club to bring Gascoigne back to London. They have struggled for five years to fill the void left

Money, too, is no object, with Alan Sugar, the chairman, already sanctioning a bid in excess of the £4 million that Rangers would demand.

O'Meara, playing to the backdrop of the 18th, makes himself at home at St Andrews during the Dunhill Cup

# O'Meara plays captain's role

RESULTS FROM ST ANDREWS

Old Course at St Andrews. The American, whose greying hair, bulging waistline and friendly face make him resemble a middle-aged insurance salesman, feels comfortable at the place he refers to as the home of golf. Such feelings of familiarity were first demonstrated in the Dunhill Cup last year when O'Meara had a dazzling outward 28 on his way to a 63.

They were increased yesterday when O'Meara defeated Eduardo Romero, of Argentina, at the first extra hole of the United States v Argentina match. O'Meara had to play a captain's role because the match depended on him. With a resolute four, when he was helped by warrhing Romero hit his second into the Swilcan Burn after one bounce, O'Meara made sure the US defeated Argentina. A 65 by Justin Leonard, the Open champion, for victory over José Coceres, was cancelled

over Brad Faxon. O'Meara's 63 last year contained eight successive birdies from the 2nd to the 9th and was only one stroke outside the 62 by Curtis Strange in this event in 1987. And this despite taking a six on the 17th.

out by Angel Cabrera's victory

MARK O'MEARA likes the Leonard's 65 vesterday was more than competent, too.

"I saw Justin was eight under after 12 holes," O'Meara said "and thought to myself: 'He is going to shoot a 59." A 59 was not on the cards after Leonard dropped strokes on the 14th and 15th but he ended courageously by getting a par at the 17th and birdining the last.

One advantage of this peculiar medal matchplay format is that every match must play the 17th, no matter by how many strokes one man may be leading the other. Most years the Road Hole gives so much pleasure and excitement it is worthy of an entrance fee all of its own. Yesterday was no exception.

Tsukasa Watanabe, the lightest man in the Japan

GROUP ONE: England by Japan 3-0 (England names first: P Caydon 70 bt Walanabe 7; L Wastwood 70 bt N Seto 73; M James 73 bt S Higald 74; United States bt Argentina 2-1 (United States names first: M O'Means 67 bt E Romero 87 at 19th; 8 Fason 72 lost to A Cabrera St; J Laonard 65 bt J Coceres 72).

GROUP TWO: Sweden bt Tahwan 3-0 (Sweden names first. J. Hospyman 72 bt Heisel Yu-Shu 72 at 191t, J Pamewi, 65 bt (Ju-Hei-Chunn 75; P. U. Johnsson 71 bt Chan Liang-His 74) France bt Australia 2-1 (France, names first: F Tamaud 70 bt (France, names first: F Tamaud 70 bt Alashy 71; J van de Velde 71 bt 5 Elangson 71 at 19st; M Fany 71 fost to S Appleby 68).

among those mentioned was a

registration scheme, long re-sisted but which could raise

more than £1 million a year.

Sean Pickering, a former

sponsorship manager for Canon and now a full-time athlete and BAA director, said

that a national coach in Hol-

land had told him that he

"could not understand how

the sport had lasted this long

full-time director, said that the

meeting formed "a two-track

approach" "We wanted to

deliver as much information

as we could and look at our

responsibilities for the future,"

Ron Speight, of Moore Ste-

phens Booth White, the

Birmingham insolvency prac-titioner called in as the admin-

istrator, said yesterday that it

would be probably two weeks

before a plan could be formu-

lated. "No hard and fast

decisions have been made yet.

and will not be until we have

met all the interested parties and got their views." Speight

Geoff Parsons, the BAA's

without one."

Russell Claydon, the heaviest member of England's trio. which took the pressure off Claydon and helped England to win 3-0. Paul McGinley, of Ireland, birdied the 16th and then parred the 17th to claw his way back to within two strokes of Retief Goosen. This was not close enough, because he lost by one stroke to Goosen and with Darren Clarke taking too many putts against Ernie Els, Ireland lost to

South Africa. -A seven was taken on the 17th by Raymond Russell, the Scot, who had the bizarre 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th and 17th holes, the pars for which are 4, 5, 4, 4, 4. Russell drove into the Old Course hotel on the 17th. This did not cost his team dear

GROUP THREE South Airties by Implant 2-1 (relend names first PMcGinley 7) lost to R Goosen 70; PHasnington 67 by D Frost 69; D Clarke 71 lost to E 55 66; Scotland by Germany 2-1 (Scotland names first R Pussel 58 by T Gogele 74; G Brand Jr 69 lost to A Celja 68; C Montgomene 67 by S Struwer 73).

GROUP FOUR: Zimbabwe bt South Koree. 2-1 (Zimbabwe names first: N Price 72 bt Kim Jong-Duck: 74; M McNailly 89 bt Mo Jong-Kyung: 75; T Johnstone 73 lest to Karg Wook-Soon 73 et 19th). New Zasland bt Spein 2-1 (New Zasland names first; S Al-ler 70 bt M A Martin 73; F Nobilla 70 bt (Gas-dio 75; M Long 72 lost to M A Jirnénez 71).

Villeneuve

beat Thomas Gogele and Col-in Montgomerie, who went round in 67, was untroubled by a 73 by Sven Struver.

France's 2-1 defeat of Australia when Steve Elkington took a five there and Jean Van de Velde birdied it. That put the two men level. Elkington missed a six-foot uphill putt on the last green to win. Then, with less than 80 yards to go to the flag on the lst, the man who won the Players' Championship last March hit his ball in to the Swilcan Burn. Thus did he do like many a player before him — and no doubt

Frank Leboeuf Living the high life – from a London hotel to the Arctic Circle Oliver Holt finds a long-serving manager receptive to new ideas Danny Baker Hew to put the fizz back into the Coca-Cola Cup TALKING HORSE Simon Barnes on an appointment with reality for

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# Athletes confirm support for recovery programme

By DAVID POWELL, ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT BAA would not say, although

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- 8 Stood along (route); care-10 Welsh capital (7)
- 11 Takes off (eg hat) (5) 12 Subjugate; lessen (6) 15 Part of body: spinet (anag.)
- 17 When signalled (2.3) 18 Within earshot (7)

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23 Wastrel (4-2-4)

- 21 Alter, simple dress (5) 22 Sob: aquatic insulation (7)
- 2 Florida resort (5) 3 Unrepeatable (item, event) 4 With no cargo (7) 5 Advantage (7) 6 Chancy, insecure (10)
- 9 Vanishes (10) 13 Mistead (7) 14 Originator (?) 16 Panda food (6) 19 Two; 40-40 (5)

1 Grinding tooth (5)

20 Tower of confusion (5)

ACROSS: 1 Behind bars 8 All told 9 Theme 10 Easy 11 Sibilant 13 Chair 14 Aside 16 Grounded 17 Limp 20 Agent 21 Partake 22 Retrogress DOWN: 1 Blake 2 Half-seas-over 3 Neon 4 Bodkin 5 Rattigan 6 Rehabilitate 7 Beetle 12 Brunette 13 Cognac 15 Keeper 18 Press 19 Brag

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THE British Athletes' Association (BAA) yesterday gave unreserved backing to David Moorcroft to lead the sport out of its present crisis and, at the same time, said that its members were less concerned with personal losses than helping the recovery.

All the top-earning British athletes have yet to be paid for their appearances in British meetings this year. Now they face an anxious wait for their money after the British Athlet-Federation, of which Moorcroft has been chief executive for 16 days, went into administration on Tuesday

Jonathan Edwards and Sally Gunnell, for example, are owed in the region of £70,000. Yesterday the BAA met for the first time since the BAF declared itself insolvent, with a deficit of £530,000, and the meeting, which lasted six hours, was attended by 13 members of the board of 19. Among them was Paula

Radcliffe, who said: "We are

not so interested in the short-

term let's-get-our-money-back

approach. This has given us

an incentive to set up a better

structure for the sport and for. the youngsters, to give them a better chance than we had." Moorcroft, having inherited

situation which, had he known it was coming, would have persuaded him against taking the job, will stay for the fight. Radcliffe described him as "a big asser" while Steve Backley, also present at the meeting in Birmingham, said that Moorcroft had "brought ideas to the table and was receptive to our ideas". What those ideas were, the



appeal withdrawn By MICHAEL CALVIN

JACQUES VILLENEUVE discovered the cost of his flawed challenge for the Formula One world championship yesterday, when the Williams team bowed to the inevitable and withdrew its appeal against his disqualification from the Japanese Grand Prix last weekend.

The loss of the two points earned for a nominal fifth place at Suzuka means that he must finish ahead of Michael Schumacher in the final race, at Jerez in nine days, to clinch the title.

. The solitary compensation for the climbdown, decided upon at a meeting convened by Frank Williams, the owner, on Wednesday evening is that it takes the uncertainty of the appeal's process out of an increasingly complicated

equation. Formula One now has the climax to the season it craves. a bead-to-head confrontation between its most eminent drivers. Schumacher, one point ahead has seized the initiative. It is up to Villeneuve to prove that he has the strength of character to respond.



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